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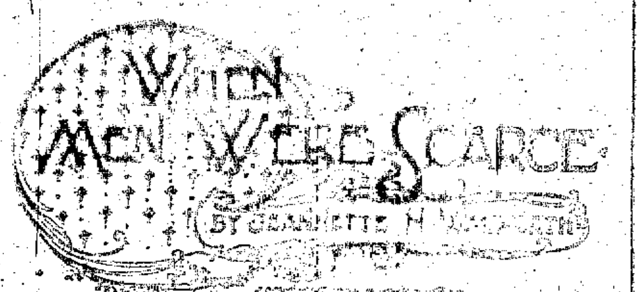

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CHAPTER XVIII.

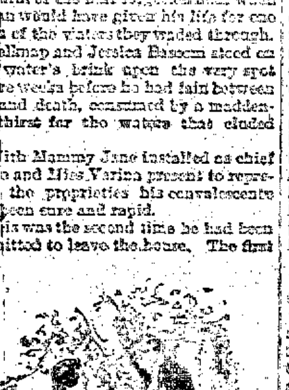
Spring, with its perennial miracle of the new birth, had come again. With a witchery of bursting bud and piercing blade it once more wove its magic spell about the cold brown earth.

The perch leaped high for very wantonness of joy in the cool, dark waters of the pond among the blackberry bushes. Birds nested in peaceful seclusion among the branches of the maples that bent over it. Mild eyed cows with fragrant breath and generous udders stood knee deep in the cool water, unmindful of the half forgotten hour when a man would have given his life for one draft of the waters they waded through.

Belknap and Jessica Bascom stood on the water's brink upon the very spot where weeks before he had lain between life and death, consumed by a maddening thirst for the waters that eluded him.

With Mammy Jane installed as chief nurse and Miss Varina present to represent the proprieties his convalescence had been sure and rapid.

This was the second time he had been permitted to leave the house. The first time he and Marianne had walked as far as the old sycamore tree, where, with many tears and boundless self reproaching, she had told him the story of her repudiation.



"I am not sure of it yet," he answered.

"You see, Reggie, you did look like a veritable fright. I had no idea you ever could be made over into a respectable member of society again."

"I am not at all sure of it yet," he answered, leaning back against the trunk of the tree with a weary sigh.

Marianne nodded encouragingly.

"Externally it has already been accomplished. It must have been that dreadful beard and then, dear, your lovely hair was in a most disreputable condition. It was nearly down to your shoulders. I am so much obliged to Cesar for fixing you up so nicely. You are as handsome as ever. Monkey says handsomer. She says you have a more interesting look than you ever had before."

"Child, child, hush! You cannot conceive how your nonsense wearies me. Life has become such a tremendously earnest thing since the old Belhaven days. I feel as if I had never lived before I met my fellow man in mortal combat, each of us ready to fling away existence at the bidding of an unseen general, who issued his orders to us as if we were so many puppets. It makes one's blood course fast."

"And you call that living?"

"I did not mean just that. I mean that one comes to estimate small things and large ones as they best deserve to be estimated. Once perhaps I was jackanapes enough to be thankful for a fine appearance. Not long ago you were small enough to repudiate me because I didn't present one. Let us get away from externals, little sister, and reach after the inner beauties of the soul."

"You talk just exactly like Miss Bascom now, and I always feel left miles behind. She is a glorious woman, Reggie, and by token of my adoring love for her I hold myself not altogether silly."

This second venture into the sweet smelling woods he was making with Jessica by his side. It had been a very quiet walk. There seemed so little left for them to say to each other. So much had passed from eye to eye and from lip to lip during those full brief days that had come to them, each laden with its own quota of pain or of pleasure, each with its strenuous demands.

And now they stood side by side in a silence much fuller of meaning than a volume of words. He had been telling her again of the splendid passing away of her father. It was more than a thrice told tale now, but she never wearied of hearing it. His eyes glowed with pride in his gallant leader, and his voice quivered with emotion whenever he spoke of the friend he had loved. Jessica laid a quieting hand on his arm.

"Remember, you are not to agitate yourself. I will have to bear the blame of six women if harm befalls you. I will hand you over to Mammy Jane for three days exclusively if this walk leaves you any weaker. It is time we were getting back to the house. It is Miss Turner's evening for reading to you, and I shall expect to find you on a much loftier mental plane after she gets through with you."

"One moment more, one word more. It is easily in your power to send me back to the house on the loftiest plane man ever yet attained."

She looked at him with patient, tender eyes.

"My love, my love—for whether you scorn me or not you must always be, as you have always been, my love—give me a definite answer to my unspoken prayer, here, now, as we stand on the spot where you gave me back my life a second time."

"A life that you had redeemed from all unworthiness, all unmanliness, else my father could not have loved you," she said, with a gentle smile.

Belknap [illegible] nervously.

"[illegible] in his keeping. He believed in me before I believed in myself. He made me live up to his estimate of me."

"[illegible] keeping," said Jessica, with misty eyes.

Belknap [illegible]

"[illegible] fancy deserving [illegible] Did you hope that at last [illegible]"

She flashed a dazzling smile at him.

"At this late day I find the question hard to answer. Guess it, please."

"If I had any portion of the conceit that used to be my equipment, I might find encouragement in your words and your smile, but I am so overwhelmed with a sense of my unworthiness when I am in your presence, that I can only plead and hope. Perhaps the love that redeemed may also exalt. You know so well that I love you [illegible] it."

[illegible] for no response he went on impetuously.

"I am a poor man—a man without any special training for anything but spending money. The cause is lost. The country will in a few months be swarming with the survivors who, less fortunate than their fallen comrades, have to construct a new world out of the wreck of their old one. Fortunate that man who can in the days of his bewilderment find his good angel in some loving hearted woman. I would esteem the task of rebuilding my shattered fortunes a light one if I could see your dear eyes beckoning me onward. It will be heavier than the task of Sisyphus if I am to tread the weary way alone. Which shall it be, Jessica?"

For answer she laid her hand in his.

"The task shall be mine and yours together, dear."

A blue heron stepped mincingly from among the shadows of a clump of sassafras to dip its long beak in the fishy waters. The sun's rays rested upon its shining wings, turning them to burnished steel. A soft splash in the pond told where a turtle had dived, sending rings of rippling water to kiss the grassy banks; a mocking bird called coaxingly to its mate from the swaying limb of a willow; the drowsy tinkling of a cow bell smote the stillness. The world was full of peace and quietness at that moment, and the man who had seen it filled with the turmoil of battle and discord drank in the repose of the scene and time as if it were the very elixir of life to him.

"The shadows are beginning to lengthen," said Jessica. "We will go home."

They were nearing the gate that led up to the terraces, when a carriage dashed past them at such a rapid pace that no eye but that of love or hate could have distinguished features. There were three men in it. Jessica knew it for the Whitney turnout. To Belknap the glossy victoria, with its well groomed horses, was entirely unknown. Nevertheless he turned a face suddenly darkened by anger toward Jessica.

"But once during my army life did I strike a blow at the enemy, when I did not hate, without wishing it was directed toward the only human being whom I do hate."

"You mean"—

"I mean Dennis Whitney. Unless my eyes played me a malicious trick he was in that carriage."

Jessica looked after the fast rolling vehicle.

"I did not notice the men in it, but that is Mr. Whitney's carriage. His sister has made the neighborhood familiar with it." From the old sycamore tree at the forks of the road they could see the house. Belknap turned very pale.

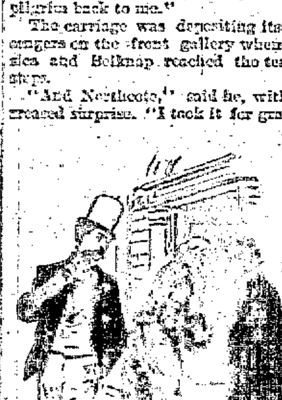
"It has stopped at your door. You don't suppose he would have the insolence to seek an interview with me under your roof?"

Jessica shared his surprise.

"I do not even know the man by sight. He may have simply brought some one to my door. Pray don't agitate yourself. Remember that mine is the right now to dictate terms, and I positively forbid any display of temper. Ah, I see, he has brought my dear old pilgrim back to me."

The carriage was depositing its passengers on the front gallery when Jessica and Belknap reached the terrace steps.

"And Northcote," said he, with increased surprise. "I took it for granted that he had rejoined the company long ago. I knew he had a fortnight's furlough when he brought me as far as the river."



"My score with your father was settled some time ago."

As Jessica and her guest reached the gallery, where the three men stood, the situation became embarrassing in the extreme. The old evangelist stepped toward her with outstretched hands.

"My daughter, you did not expect to see me so soon again?"

"Expected or unexpected, reverend father, you are always welcome, and Dr. Northcote, too, I make welcome as my dear father's lifetime friend."

She extended her hand in gracious welcome to the two men. Toward Whitney she glanced in perplexity and bowed coldly. She could not extend a welcome to the man who had ruined her [illegible].

Whitney himself precipitated the finale to a scene that was trying the [illegible] of the strongest man among them.

"Perhaps, Dr. Northcote, as the lifetime friend of Miss—of this young lady—[illegible] the late Colonel Merriman Bascom, you can best make clear to her the object of this visit. I am sure she will grant you a private interview."

[illegible]

"Is it anything [illegible] dear friend. My child, I [illegible] you. Will you come with me into the colonel's study?"

Belknap stepped to her side.

"Certainly, Dr. Northcote, if you please. I ask to be present at this interview. Miss Bascom has just become my affianced wife, and if there is anything agitating in store for her I claim the right to share it with her. Permit me first, however, a word with this gentleman."

He turned a face livid with rage and hate upon Dennis Whitney.

"Your presence here is still unaccounted for, sir. If you have any business with me connected with our notable transaction, I will meet you at Belhaven. If, as Colonel Bascom's former overseer, you have any claims upon his estate, they can be settled without your personal intrusion upon his family. I am not overstepping my privileges as Miss Bascom's prospective husband in requesting your instant departure."

It had always been characteristic of Whitney—and the trait had been cultivated during his career as a professional gambler—that the wrath of a foe filled him with an intense satisfaction resulting in a profound outward calmness. [illegible] of the same eyes [illegible] would have suspected the fury that was consuming him.

He smiled insolently into Belknap's face and deliberately lighted a cigar before answering him. The old evangelist glanced anxiously over his shoulder and thanked God silently that Northcote had withdrawn Jessica. Belknap stood before his foe, trembling with rage and with physical weakness. Drawing in his breath several times to make sure that his cigar was in good working order Whitney finally made answer:

"My score with you, young man, or, more accurately, with your father, was settled effectually some time ago. As for any claims I may have upon the late Colonel Bascom's family, I refer you to the Rev. Mr. Hayden, to whom permit me to present you."

Indicating the gentle pilgrim by a graceful wave of his hand, he turned and walked slowly to the other end of the long gallery.

CHAPTER XIX.

Wondering, but silent, Jessica led the way to the colonel's study. It was a room seldom used now. She came there herself every Sunday morning to wind up the old eight day clock which had been ticking time into eternity for more than half a century.

As she opened the door the odor of rose leaves and spices commingled was wafted toward them. Upon the colonel's writing table—which used to be the despair of the order loving Oscar—stood a great blue jar of foreign aspect, with sprays of white hawthorn flowers sprawling all over its surface.

Walking over to the table, Jessica dipped one hand into the blue jar, stirring its aromatic contents into more active pungency. Dr. Northcote stood on the other side of the table, drawing off his gloves in a nervous, jerky fashion. She looked at him with humid eyes.

"Father loved his roses so dearly. We keep this jar full of petals from his favorite bushes." Then she laughed most unexpectedly.

There was a strange flippancy about this untimely merriment which seemed to jar on her own nerves. She offered an apology, which was scarcely less flippant than the laugh.

"Excuse me, doctor, but you look exactly as if you were getting ready to lop off a leg or an arm. I cannot conceive of anything you may have to tell me that would warrant such tremendous gravity. I suppose, though, we are all keyed up to a tragic pitch, and all our molehills are mountains."

As he made no response to this she began to fear she had angered him seriously.

"Pray excuse my silly laugh. It was a mere hysterical outburst. I have had much to try my nerves lately. Whatever your errand, trust me to meet it courteously. I imagine you have come to take my aunt away again. You may have the legal right, but I should be sorry to see you exercise it."

Only too glad of a respite, Northcote answered inconsequently:

"Tell me about her. It was only through the reverend old man who sought a night's shelter from me that I heard of her being alive and with you. As you know, I have been with the regiment as surgeon, coming home only recently for a short furlough. Mrs. Northcote has been with her family in Florida, and so we have heard but little of Applegate happenings. I should like to have a more circumstantial account of your aunt's welfare."

He seated himself in the colonel's revolving chair, but Jessica remained standing, restlessly occupied with the rose jar.

"I take it for granted," she said, "that my gentle pilgrim has told you the first part of the story—of how I found old Savanna hiding her nursling as if there were no friends left in the world to my poor aunt?"

"Yes, yes; I have heard that part. It is strange that neither Bascom nor I thought of the old hag. I had almost forgotten her very existence."

"She has been everything to my aunt, and since I defied her and laughed to scorn her pretended occultism she has proved a very satisfactory attendant."

"I should like to know something about your aunt's present state of health, although, of course, I will see her before I leave the house."

"Personally I should prefer that you should not. She associates you with her exile from home and her confinement within certain limits. When I first had her removed to the house, she wandered about it like a bewildered child, but gradually memory asserted itself until now she seems perfectly happy and contented. I think her restoration to the spot where she lived as a girl has in a manner dissipated some of her delusions. We never hear her calling for her doll as she used to do. She frequently alludes to her mother's implacable and to me inexplicable anger, but in the regretful manner any daughter might display. She leads the life of a recluse in the up stairs suit of rooms she occupied as a young lady, is devoted to Savanna and also remembers Miss Turner, my companion, very well.

"I think Miss Turner has been of great benefit to her in reviving schoolgirl memories. I seem to puzzle her somewhat, although she tolerates me amiably. She is gentle and courteous to everybody. Physically she is causing me much anxiety. She looks like some rare, beautiful flower, fading out of existence before my eyes. If it were not for the monotony of her days, I do not believe she would be alive now. I am sure any agitation would be harmful to her. That is the reason I do not want you to interfere with my arrangements."

Northcote had listened to her with [illegible]. He wanted to judge of the [illegible] of securing Whitney [illegible] with his wife he had not seen for 20 years. If he did not conduct this negotiation with extreme diplomacy, the man was quite capable of asserting his legal rights with a coarse persistency. The thought of Whitney brought him back to his momentous errand. He dared not tarry about it another second. He plunged into the matter with awkward precipitation.

"I have not the slightest intention of removing your aunt or of interfering with any of your arrangements. She may stay here forever. I—I—Miss Bascom"—he came toward her, where she still stood stirring the rose leaves, and took forcible possession of her hand, as if its restless activity annoyed him—"did you ever—were you ever—struck by anything strange in your—in Colonel Bascom's attitude toward you?"

Jessica drew her hand out of his clasp with some show of displeasure and seated herself before answering.

"Toward me? I think I don't quite understand."

"Did it ever occur to you that your relations toward each other as father and daughter were perhaps a trifle strained?"

"At first, yes. I admit it with shame for my own girlish exactions. I came home to him an entire stranger at a time when his heart and brain were full of the cause to which he has given his life. I resented having been allowed to grow up away from him and my home. I said a good many spiteful things, no doubt, but he was always the tender, generous [illegible] as well. He would laugh [illegible] out of existence and [illegible] every possible way that if mistakes had been made in my rearing he had always done what he thought would be for my best happiness."

She dashed a tear from her eye and went on:

"It comforts me now to think that all that had passed away long before he left me and that he had the satisfaction of knowing that his daughter loved and trusted him utterly."

"You are making my task harder with every word you speak," said Northcote, with a groan that seemed wrung from the very depths of his being.

"Your task? What task?"

She sat looking up at him with her hands clasped upon her lap. She was mentally consigning him to the realms of melodrama, when he broke silence violently.

"What do I gain by hesitating? Where can I look for words to clothe it decently—the task of telling you that Merriman Bascom was not your father at all; that you are the daughter of Ellen Bascom and Dennis Whitney, the son of her father's overseer? They were married secretly in this very house by that old imbecile you call your gentle pilgrim."

He stopped and looked at the girl to see what effect this revelation was having on her. She sat with her hands clasped on her lap as if she was listening to some strange story that had no particular bearing on anything. Her lips were more tightly compressed than usual, and her face was the color of the white marble mantelpiece against which Northcote was supporting himself. She was simply waiting for him to go on.

"I know, my dear child, that this must come to you as a frightful and a degrading shock. Whitney's turning up after a disappearance that warranted everybody in supposing him dead and the coming to the front of the old imbecile who did the mischief have reconciled me to Bascom's death. This would have brought about trouble."

"Why did he deceive me? Why did he not let me know I was a plebeian? Why did he claim me as his own daughter?"

"Because he was the grandest man that ever lived. Rather than let the shadow of a suspicion rest upon the sister he adored he allowed his own fair name to be aspersed."

"Aspersed?" She leaned toward him with blazing eyes. "Then I, after all, have been the sufferer. Those who have doubted the story of that Mexican marriage—and I confess I have been among them—have been receiving me on sufferance."

"They have been receiving you on the strength of his unsullied record, his peerless courage. He did have his fears, and I did share them with him, that his bald assertion of fatherhood would not carry him through, but it has; it did. There is not today a memory revered as his is in this county or a woman in it who could command the following you could."

"As the reputed daughter of the late Colonel Bascom, yes, plus a few shrugs. As the legitimate daughter of his overseer, no—no, and you know it."

Northcote stared over her head without making any reply. He could think of none that would carry any comfort with it. Jessica flung a question at him with a passionate gesture.

"When my grandmother found the thing inevitable, the mischief done, why did she not let her plebeian son-in-law take his infatuated bride away with him and let them rear their lowly progeny in open ostracism? Why all this mystery extending through the years? Why all this accumulation of disgrace about the defenseless head of one poor girl?"

"Your grandmother never believed the statements made by Whitney and her daughter touching their secret marriage. They could produce no witnesses, and the wandering evangelist who had performed the ceremony had disappeared from the country. Her one desire was to hide her shame from those of her own class. She sent for me, the lifelong friend of her son. I took her daughter away with me. Her mother never looked upon her face again. It was left to her to inform Bascom of his sister's condition. She sternly forbade his revenging the disgrace on Whitney, as that would advertise matters to the whole world. You can see how the pride of the old aristocrat directed every step. Whitney left the country before Bascom got back from Mexico. Until he turned up as the owner of Belhaven we had every reason to suppose him dead."

He paused for comment. She had none to make. He resumed rapidly:

"Of the actual facts of his marriage to Ellen Bascom I was informed only last week by the old man who wanted at this late day to relieve his conscience of a burdensome secret. When he heard that Whitney was living in the county, he made a pilgrimage to him in order to let him know that his wife was living. The Rev. Mr. Hayden's conscience is tenderer than it was when he performed the wedding ceremony clandestinely in Miss Bascom's sitting room up stairs. He excuses that by saying that Whitney represented Miss Bascom's mother as not being averse to the marriage, but unreasonably objected to its being performed by a Baptist."

"What matters the method so the hideous fact stands firm? You have not yet accounted for my uncle's guardianship. How did I get into his hands? Where was I born?"

"You were born in my house. Your grandmother had intimidated or bribed Whitney into leaving the country. My own opinion is that he dared not await Bascom's return."

"Do not lose sight of the fact that it is my father you are describing," said Jessica, with inexpressible bitterness.

"Pardon me, dear child."

"Go on."

"When you were a month old, your mother left my house for Mexico, declaring her intention of making Bascom bring about a reconciliation with her mother."

"I did not oppose her going. I procured a trusty attendant for her. I thought the journey would do her good, and I knew the estrangement from her mother was almost killing her.

"She came back to me six weeks later without her attendant and without you. She told me a strange story, to which I gave no credence, although Bascom did write to me later that she had narrowly escaped death in a terrible railroad accident.

"The clumsy story she told was that on recovering consciousness she found herself in a private house surrounded by kindly natives, all jabbering Spanish at her. One of them brought an infant and put it in her arms. She shrieked out at the sight of it. It was not her child. The doctor was brought. He could understand English. She explained to him that a few moments before the shock she and a young mother sitting in front of her had exchanged babies to see which was the heavier. As the crash came each woman clasped the infant in her arms to her bosom. Then they told her that the only other infant on the train had been killed, together with its mother. No one believed her story. I certainly do not. I think the shock of the accident, coming on top of all the nerve strain she had been enduring for several years, unbalanced her mind permanently. As the main object of her journey was to see her brother, she took a carriage and drove to his address, taking with her the infant that had been left in her charge. We can only account for her persistent denial of your identity on the score of nerve shock. She left you on Bascom's hands, refusing to mother you. A week or two after her return I had a letter from Bascom corroborating her story as told by herself. The manly fellow, ever ready to shield her, accepted the repudiation of her child as Ellen's only hope of restoration to her mother's presence and promised to care for the little one as best he could.

"How he kept that promise you best know," said Northcote, smiling sadly into Jessica's face.

She lifted misty eyes to his.

"When my father and my mother forsook me, he took me into his tender keeping. Did my grandmother relent?"

"She died before Ellen returned from Mexico."

A somber silence fell between them. Jessica broke it.

"So, then, so far from being an orphan, doubly orphaned by the death of the good man who gave me the shelter of his name and home, I am suddenly come into possession of a father and a mother. What am I to do with them? I should think that poor gentle spirit up stairs, whatever the mistakes of her youth, might be left unmolested for the short remnant of her days. As for me"—She stopped with a perplexed frown wrinkling her forehead. "Are you in Mr. Whitney's—in my father's—confidence sufficiently to speak of his intentions? I think I could better stand—things from you, doctor, than from him."

"I am sufficiently in his confidence to believe that he will not abate one jot or one tittle of what he is legally entitled to."

"That means," said Jessica, with a gasp, "that he can lay claim to his daughter, to his wife and to this place, which since Colonel Bascom's death is the property of his sister."

"It means all that and more." Northcote's voice was full of bitterness.

"More?"

"Have you forgotten Belknap?"

"No; oh, no! I thought of him and renounced him in the first stunned moments while I was trying to piece my consciousness together so as to fully comprehend what you were saying. Of course that is forever out of the question now."

She said it with such intense quietness of voice and manner that Northcote gave her scant credit for the suffering she was hiding behind a proud, cold exterior.

"And speaking of him, doctor, would you mind finding him and telling him I am afraid I cannot discuss this matter with him now or, indeed, at any time in the future? There is no room for discussion. He is not strong enough to stand the excitement of it. Go look for him, please, and don't let him come to me. I suppose later on I will be able to think. Just now I can only suffer."

Her face was so full of pain and her efforts to bear this terrible blow were so pathetic that Northcote buried his head in his arms as he stood by the mantelpiece to shut out the sight of it.

"Go, please, doctor, and thank you for the sympathy you are showing. I will grow used to this change, I suppose. One more question—do you suppose he will insist upon seeing me today?"

"Whitney, do you mean?"

"Yes."

"I can't say. I don't know. Not if I can prevent it."

He seized his gloves and bolted through the doorway, bent upon protecting her from molestation as far as lay in his power. As he opened the door he found himself face to face with Belknap. He nodded toward the study door.

"You have left Miss—her in there?"

"Yes, but she begs not to be disturbed."

"You have told her everything?"

"I have told her everything."

Northcote stood with his hand on the doorknob, barring passage. Belknap laid one of his thin hands on the lapel of his coat and flung him to one side with a strength born of his passion.

"Then stand aside and don't speak of my disturbing her."

He opened the study door and closed it behind him before Dr. Northcote had gathered himself together again. He stood still and listened without feeling any of the shame of the eavesdropper.

But the thick oaken door held its secrets well and gave no hint of the stormy interview passing behind it.

Belknap had gone swiftly toward the still erect figure sitting with face averted from the door. Not even when he leaned over the back of her chair and called her name very tenderly did Jessica show any emotion. She simply turned a cold look in his direction.

"I asked that I should not be disturbed today. You can have nothing to say to me that I care to hear—aye, nothing that can comfort you. There cannot possibly be anything in future in common between you and the daughter of Dennis Whitney. Go away, please, and spare me words. I am so tired of them. Dr. Northcote, good man, has been stumbling and stammering over this miserable story for an hour."

He came around in front of her and kneeled to bring his face on a level with hers. He took both her hands and, kissing them, held them in a tight clasp. They were like two pieces of ice.

"Jessica, my love, my precious girl, do you suppose it is in your power to drive me away from you? Hideous as this story is, deep as the degradation of such paternity must seem to you, do you think I would shrink from sharing it with you? We are stunned by it at this moment. We cannot think lucidly. You need rest. They must keep people away from you. I am going myself presently, but I could not go without telling you that"—

[illegible] from her, with a passionate cry.

"Tell me nothing. There is nothing for you to say. Go away from me. There is no possible ground upon which you and Dennis Whitney's daughter can stand side by side. I have been through the furnace fires of the condemned [illegible] since you and I stood by the pond in the woods watching the sun flash that blue heron's wings with its shimmering light. Was it an hour or a day or a century ago, my dear, that you and I talked of love and happiness?"

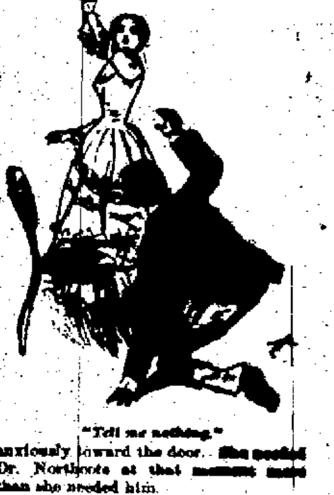
Her cheeks were burning. Her eyes were aflame with the fever that coursed hotly in her veins. She had never looked so supremely beautiful to her lover's eyes. She flung herself back with a sigh of exhaustion.

"I am tired—desperately tired. I feel as if some one had laid such a heavy load upon my shoulders, and instead of trying to carry it bravely I want to lie down under it and bury my face out of sight. That comes of the humiliation of it. One can carry almost any burden so that it is unmixed with shame."

She closed her eyes wearily. He got up softly and stood looking down upon her. Presently she lifted her heavy lids and flashed an indignant look at his motionless figure.

"Are you there yet? I asked you to leave me to myself. I want to try to fit my shoulders to this new burden. I must have time—time, my love. Oh, will all eternity be long enough?"

Her excitement was growing more intense every moment. Belknap turned anxiously toward the door. She needed Dr. Northcote at that moment more than she needed him.



"Tell me nothing."

She called to him very gently as he turned away.

"Don't leave me in anger, please. I should not like our last meeting to end so. You must see that this is to be the last."

He came back to her with a great love and pity shining in his eyes.

"This is not our last meeting, my love. You are in no condition now to discuss this matter. You sent me that message by Dr. Northcote, and I should have respected your feelings, only I thought I could help you bear it, and so I persevered."

"No, no one can help me bear it," she said, closing her eyes with a wan smile.

"Tomorrow, tomorrow," he began. Just then the study door was opened gently and allowed to swing far back on its hinges. Framed in the doorway was a tall, slender figure draped in soft white garments that trailed upon the carpet.

It was Ellen Bascom, fair and fragile as a lily of the valley. Her soft gray hair was combed back from her delicate, blue veined temples. She had pinned a single white japonica against the lace that covered her bosom. She looked in bewilderment from Jessica to Belknap, then in her lutelike voice said:

"Savanna says that Dennis has come. Where is he?"

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

HE HAD HIM THERE.

How a Passenger Got Even With a Street Car Conductor.

He was intent upon his newspaper when the conductor came along and stopped in front of him.

The conductor stooped down to get a better look at his face and said, "Fare, please."

The man with the paper paid no attention, and finally the conductor tapped him gently on the arm.

"Did I get your fare?" asked the conductor as the man with the paper looked up.

Now, if there is anything in this world that has a tendency to make a man who has paid his fare get angry it is to have the agent of the corporation to whom such fare was paid come along and ask him if he has paid it. It may be all right, but it always seems as if there was an inference that some one is trying to beat the road. Thus it happened that the man with the paper replied rather sharply:

"You ought to know."

"Oh, it's all right, sir!" explained the conductor hastily. "No intention to offend, you know. I merely wanted to make sure."

Then he returned to the platform, while the man with the paper returned to his reading.

A few minutes later the man with the paper went out on the platform himself, and just before reaching his corner he gently tapped the conductor on the arm, even as the conductor had tapped him.

"Did you ring up my fare?" he asked.

There were immediate indications that the conductor was getting mad. He tried to say something, but only spluttered.

"Oh, it's all right!" the man with the paper hastened to explain. "No intention to offend, you know. I only wanted to make sure."

Then he swung off the car, and when he reached home his wife detected traces of a faint smile on his face.—Philadelphia Times.

Bullets Point to Point.

A correspondent relates the following remarkable personal reminiscence of an incident which occurred during the Franco-German war: "A perfect stranger (an Englishman)," said he, "called upon me and handed to me a chassepot rifle, which he related he had picked up on the field of battle after Gravelotte, which had a bullet or two stuck in about the middle of the barrel and which he requested me to get removed. This was done, and upon examination two bullets were found to have met point to point. A German bullet must have entered the muzzle of the French rifle barrel just as the French rifle had been fired, and the two bullets had met together without bursting the barrel. I inclose my card."—London Telegraph.

Velvet the Style.

Lady Violet Greville, whose tips on the fashions are always accepted as gospel, writes from Paris, saying that velvet will reign supreme this spring in the fashionable world. She says, "Velvet in every style, shape and color—black, cornflower blue, sapphire, silver gray shot with gold and a host of other [illegible]

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HERMAN H. NORTH.

Bradford, Pa., February 28, 1898.

As William J. Bryan is paying his second visit to the enemy's country it might be advisable to prevail upon him to visit Cuba. His talk might settle the difficulty between that island and Spain.

The hisses that greeted Consul General Fitzhugh Lee on his departure from Havana last Saturday will have the effect of causing the blood of Uncle Sam's soldiers to rise to a fever heat, and God help the poor Spaniard that happens to get in front of them.

King Solomon said that "a word fitly spoken was like apples of gold in pictures of silver." Many a jingo who has been shrieking cowardice and other maledictions against our noble President, will wish before long that they had followed the teaching above quoted and spoken more worthily of our chief executive.

The great interest that has been engendered by the difficulty between the United States and Spain has brought about some good. It has a tendency to drive out of the newspapers the Klondike gold fields, Liliuokalani, Hazell, Billy Bryan, 16 to 1, and Tom Watson, and has sent them into "innocuous desuetude."

Thursday afternoon it was expected that the Senate would come to a vote on the resolution, but they fretted away the day in filibustering and nothing was accomplished. The latest telegraphic reports are that by Saturday the resolution will be ready for the President's signature and then—WAR.

President William McKinley and Consul General Fitzhugh Lee make a strong pair and there is no reason in the world why the people should not have unlimited confidence in their ability to bring the United States out of this Spanish imbroglio with honor and credit to Uncle Sam in spite of the yellow journals.

The "Midshipman Easy" fight that is going on in Pennsylvania between Quay, Wanamaker and Swallow is assuming rather peculiar shapes—each striving to gain the ascendancy and the devil take the hindmost—while Hon. C. W. Stone looks on from the halls of Congress and cogitates in his [illegible] thusly: "Let them fight it [illegible] will secure the meat in the cocoanut."

Hon. W. A. Stone of Pittsburg and Hon. John Wanamaker of Philadelphia are traveling over the Keystone State holding mass meetings and striving to convince the voters of their claims to the governorship, while Hon. C. W. Stone of Warren remains at his post in Washington, ready to meet and discharge any duty that may devolve upon him in the trying ordeal that the country is just now passing through. If so inclined he might, like the other two gentlemen, go among the voters and present his claims, but he feels that he owes his country a higher and more noble duty.

An opinion has been given by Maj. [illegible], Assistant Judge Advocate General of the United States [illegible] the much discussed question [illegible] of the President to call [illegible] Guard of the States into [illegible]. He says that while the Guard [illegible] ordered to any part of the [illegible] States for the purpose of enforcing [illegible], suppressing insurrection [illegible] invasion—and for no other [illegible] cannot be ordered outside the United States.—Buffalo Ex.

[illegible] them an opportunity to get out [illegible] nothing short of the Atlantic [illegible] could stop them from invading [illegible] without any coercion on the part [illegible] Government to compel them to [illegible]

Congressman Stone of Warren was [illegible] great disadvantage in the contest [illegible] delegates in Erie and Crawford, [illegible] to the fact that each county has [illegible] candidate for nomination on the [illegible] ticket. Congressman at Large [illegible] of Erie wants a renomination, and ex-Judge Henderson of [illegible], who was last November defeated for re-election in his district, [illegible] to be nominated for Judge of [illegible] Superior Court. As Congressman Charles W. Stone lives in the same section of the State these two candidates believed their chances would be [illegible] by supporting some one for [illegible] whose residence is in another [illegible]. It is true also that they want [illegible] their delegates where Senator [illegible] will be pleased to have them. [illegible] at present, therefore, for the [illegible] County Boom. It is not at [illegible] that both ex-Judge Henderson [illegible] and Congressman Davenport [illegible] the ticket, and at present [illegible] that the former [illegible]

THE SITUATION.

When President McKinley sent his last message to Congress he by that means threw the responsibility on the two Houses of Congress, thus relieving his own shoulders from a heavy burden which for weeks had been draining his strength and wearying him almost beyond endurance.

For the last four days Congress has been dilly-dallying along, seeming afraid to assume the responsibility that they have striven their utmost to force the President into assuming for several weeks, to declare war. Matters assumed a more warlike appearance Wednesday afternoon when the following joint resolution, agreed upon by a majority of the House committee, was passed by a vote of 322 to 19:

Whereas, The government of Spain for three years past has been waging war on the island of Cuba against a revolution by the inhabitants thereof without making any substantial progress toward the suppression of said revolution, and has conducted the warfare in a manner contrary to the laws of nations by methods inhuman and uncivilized, causing the death by starvation of more than 200,000 innocent non-combatants, the victims being for the most part helpless women and children, inflicting intolerable injury to the commercial interests of the United States, involving the destruction of the lives and property of many of our citizens, entailing the expenditure of millions of money in patrolling our coast and policing the high seas in order to maintain our neutrality; and,

Whereas, This long series of losses, injuries and burdens for which Spain is responsible, has culminated in the destruction of the United States battleship Maine in the harbor of Havana and in the death of 266 of our seamen,

Resolved, etc., That the President is hereby authorized and directed to intervene at once to stop the war in Cuba to the, and with the, purpose of securing permanent peace and order there, and establishing by the free action of the people thereof a stable and independent government of their own in the island of Cuba; and the President is hereby authorized and empowered to use the land and naval forces of the United States to execute the purpose of this resolution.

Following is the the majority resolution reported to the Senate. This resolution is rather stronger and more peremptory in its language:

Whereas, The abhorrent conditions which have existed for more than three years in the island of Cuba, so near our own borders, have shocked the moral sense of the people of the United States; have been a disgrace to Christian civilization, culminating, as they have, in the destruction of a United States battleship with 266 of its officers and crew, while on a friendly visit in the harbor of Havana, and cannot longer be endured, as has been set forth by the President of the United States in his message to Congress on April 11, 1898, upon which the action of Congress was invited, therefore,

Resolved, First, That the people of the island of Cuba are, and of right ought to be, free and independent.

Second, That it is the duty of the United States to demand, and the government of the United States does hereby demand, that the government of Spain at once relinquish its authority and government in the island of Cuba and withdraw its land and naval forces from Cuba and Cuban waters.

Third, That the President of the United States be, and he hereby is, directed and empowered to use the entire land and naval forces of the United States, and to call into the actual service of the United States the militia of the several States, to such an extent as may be necessary to carry these resolutions into effect.

War will undoubtedly follow, and that speedily. The government is making very extensive preparations to meet all emergencies. Last Wednesday the two magnificent ocean steamers, the St. Paul and the St. Louis, were purchased by the government and will be placed in commission at once. War vessels are being purchased as fast as they can be secured. Private yachts are being tendered to the government, armed and placed in commission. On the other hand Spanish ministers are striving their utmost to avoid war by seeking European intervention.

Even though war does not come it will lead to the liberation of Cuba from Spain's infamous rule. Whether she will be able to rule herself any better than Spain has in the past remains to be seen. Like other Spanish provinces the chances are against her making a success of self-government, owing to the turbulent spirit of her inhabitants. For the United States to assume control would be a rather expensive experiment. Uncle Sam would find it necessary to maintain a standing army on the island in order to keep down revolutionists that are in the habit of rising up in the Latin countries semi-annually.

STATE DELEGATES.

As many of the MINER'S readers are anxious to know how many delegates each county in the State is entitled to we publish the list. The total number of delegates is 363, as follows:

Adams	2	Lackawanna	9
Allegheny	[illegible]	Lancaster	12
Armstrong	3	Lawrence	3
Beaver	3	Lebanon	4
Bedford	3	Lehigh	5
Berks	7	Luzerne	10
Blair	5	Lycoming	4
Bradford	4	Mercer	4
Bucks	5	McKean	3
Butler	3	Mifflin	1
Cambria	4	Monroe	1
Cameron	1	Montgomery	9
Carbon	2	Montour	1
Centre	2	Northampton	5
Chester	7	Northumberland	4
Clarion	2	Perry	2
Clearfield	4	Philadelphia	[illegible]
Clinton	2	Pike	1
Columbia	2	Potter	2
Crawford	4	Schuylkill	8
Cumberland	3	Snyder	1
Dauphin	7	Somerset	3
Delaware	7	Sullivan	1
Elk	1	Susquehanna	3
Erie	6	Tioga	4
Fayette	5	Union	1
Forest	1	Venango	3
Franklin	3	Warren	2
Fulton	1	Washington	5
Greene	1	Wayne	2
Huntingdon	2	Westmoreland	7
Indiana	3	Wyoming	3
Jefferson	3	York	6
Juniata	1		

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ALL HONOR TO [illegible] A FEARLESS JUDGE.

To the grand jury which assembled in Hazelhurst, Copiah county, Miss., last Monday, Judge Robert Powell of the circuit court said: "I now hand you, gentlemen, the names of twenty-five of your best citizens, who can and will identify the men composing this mob and as your circuit judge I charge you that the men composing that mob are murderers, and under your oath you are bound to indict them for murder."

The circumstances which brought out this vigorous charge from a Mississippi judge are as follows: A white man was murdered recently by a negro, one John Moses. The murderer was arrested and was in charge of the officers of the law when a mob composed of white men overpowered the sheriff and his assistants, seized the murderer and after dragging him through the streets of Crystal Springs hung him to a tree. Before delivering his charge to the jury Judge Powell had made sure of the material of which it was composed. After being sworn to answer questions and before being accepted each man was asked: "If satisfactory evidence is presented to you identifying the men composing the mob who lynched John Moses would you be willing to indict them?" "Are you related or connected in any way with any man composing that mob, or to Mr. Strong who was murdered by Moses?" Only those who gave satisfactory answers to these questions were admitted to the jury.

But even if the jury fails to indict Judge Powell does not propose to let this failure of duty defeat the ends of justice. In such an event he has declared that he will have the district attorney, who is as fearless as the Judge and in sympathy with him, make an affidavit against the known members of the mob, summon the witnesses, discharge the grand jury and bind the accused lynchers over to the next term of the circuit court without bail. This would send the lynchers to jail for at least six months, or until the court convenes again, when another grand jury will be charged to indict them. This is the most drastic course taken by any judge in a southern State, or elsewhere, to bring lynchers to justice. There have been a few appeals to juries against mob violence but none which pointed so directly to the punishment of the perpetrators, and it is not strange that it has caused much comment and excitement in Mississippi.

That State, and Copiah county especially, has gained a bad pre-eminence in the prevalence of mob law. It would be particularly appropriate if the firmest stand against lynching and the most drastic measures for the punishment of lynchers were taken in the same State. Judge Powell's charge to the grand jury of Hazelhurst holds out the hope that that may be the result.

HISTORY OF WETMORE TOWNSHIP.

KINZUA, PA., April 11, 1898.

EDITOR MINER:—Having seen Mr. Gorton's article in regard to McKean county and different townships, I thought I would have my say about Wetmore township. In the summer of 1858 Jacob McManus and myself went into Wetmore township on Sub. 217, built each of us a log cabin, covered them with shakes and moved our families into them. We went there to make shaved shingles for the late Hon. L. F. Watson.

Hon. L. D. Wetmore had established a lumber camp about 1 1-2 miles south of where Ludlow now is. When it came time to hold the township election Judge Wetmore sent a man over to our camp and wanted us to go over to his camp and hold an election. Judge Wetmore had up to this time acted as town officer. He had drawn the school money and built a very good school house at his camp. We gathered at the school house, made up the ticket and held an election. As there was no scrabble for office each man took what he wanted. I will give a copy of a notice I have now. I will give it just as it reads:

"Mr. Lyman Palmiter haveing had the highest No. of votes you you are elected to the office of Justis of Peas for Wetmore township, McKean Co., Pa., for the year 1859. 11 day February, 1859. Fred. Coke, John Whitman, Election Board."

I was made return judge also. At that time there were seven voters in the township, as follows: Wm. Toby, R. Toby, N. Hardin, Fred Coke, John Whitman, Jacob McManus and L. Palmiter. L. Vance was there, but was not a voter, his family being in the State of New York. Mr. Vance afterwards moved his family to Wetmore and has been a resident there till about one year ago, when he took up his residence at Dew Drop, Warren county, Pa.

In March, 1863, I went south for my health. While I was traveling in the south for my health the P. & E. R. R. was built through from Sheffield to St. Marys. When I came home over the new road in August, 1865, there were a good many board shanties where Kane now is and there were lumber camps at Wetmore station and Ludlow station. About that time J. G. Curtis came to Ludlow and built a small tannery. Kane grew very fast and soon took charge of the township elections, leaving Wetmore and Ludlow out in the cold. In about 1875 Wetmore and Ludlow petitioned to be annexed to Hamilton township, but the people of Hamilton were afraid that they would control the elections, but they agreed that old Hamilton should have its share of the township offices. So in 1876 15 warrants were taken from Wetmore township and annexed to Hamilton, so Wetmore and Ludlow are both in Hamilton township.

The compact in regard to the elections was kept until about six years ago, when King John arose up and said he would run the elections to suit himself. Since then old Hamilton has been left out in the cold. King John holds all the offices unless there are two of a kind. He has for some time been assessor, collector, supervisor and school board.

OLD TIMER.

N. B. At the fall election in 1859 for county and State officers a man came over to our camps from Smethport. I think it was Roswell Sartwell, or perhaps Seth A. Backus. He talked so nice to us that we let every man about the camps vote. I think we had 13 votes then.

O. T.

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Notice to Take Testimony in Divorce.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF M'KEAN COUNTY.

Nancy A. Varney vs. Frank E. Varney. } No. 237, June Term, 1897.

To Nancy A. Varney, plaintiff, and Frank E. Varney, defendant, in above case:—

You are hereby notified that I, T. F. Richmond, having been duly appointed by the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county as Commissioner to take testimony in the above action of divorce, pending in said Court, will attend to the duties of my said appointment at my office in the [illegible] block, in Smethport borough, McKean county, Pa., on Wednesday, the [illegible] day of April, 1898, between the hours of 9 and 4 o'clock p. m. of said day, when and where you may be present if you deem proper.

T. F. RICHMOND, Commissioner.

F. R. Cravens, Att'y for Plaintiff.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN application will be made to the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania on the [illegible] day of May, 1898, by George Camp, [illegible] Camp, William D. Camp, [illegible] and Frank [illegible], under the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An Act to provide for the Incorporation and Regulation of certain Corporations," approved the 29th day of April, 1874, and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended Corporation, to be called the [illegible] Glass Company, the character and object whereof is the manufacture of [illegible] window glass, and dealing [illegible] product, and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of said Act of Assembly and its supplements.

W. C. PARRY, Solicitor for Applicants.

April 11, 1898.—3t.

Notice in Divorce.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF M'KEAN COUNTY.

Annie D. Miller vs. Martin F. Miller. } No. 74, Dec. Term, 1897.

To the above named respondent:—

You are hereby notified that I have been appointed examiner to take testimony in the case above entitled, and to report [illegible] thereof to the Court, and that I will attend to the duties of my appointment at my office in the Backus building, Smethport, Pa., on Monday April 25th, 1898, between the hours of nine o'clock a. m. and [illegible] p. m.

T. W. [illegible], Examiner.

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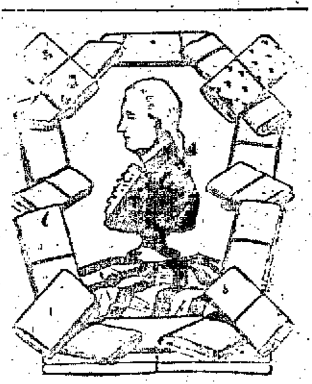

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—Read McCoys' Drug Store new adv.

—Will Hyde of East Smethport has joined the Rambler riders.

—Billy Black has built a sidewalk for H. H. Hamlin at the East end.

—Tarpon fishing in Florida waters is not so attractive now as formerly.

—P. E. Abbey is making extensive repairs on his King street residence.

—"The measured stroke of the carpet beater is heard throughout the land."

—F. W. Rumsey is having repairs made on the old Bush house on Mechanic street.

—F. C. Pierce received an order for a Rambler bicycle to be shipped to Shortsville, N. Y.

—It is doubtful if there will be any war as long as the schooners are compelled to pass over the bar.

—Janitor Bush has removed the winter overcoats from the fountains on the court house lawn.

—F. M. Watkins is the proud possessor of a handsome Rambler bicycle, just purchased of F. C. Pierce.

—Hear Miss Dock at Kittredge opera house Wednesday evening, April 20, on "Village Improvement."

—You can now legally expectorate on the angle worm. He may squirm, but there is no redress for him.

—Letters remaining in the postoffice week ending April 9: Mrs. Susan Cole, Mr. A. Filby, Orson Porter, Robert Porter.

—Several new subscribers go on our list this week from Port Allegany. They are evidently anxious to hear about our new glass works.

—Be sure to peruse the adv. in another column of the MINER. It tells you how to get the Thrice-a-week World and MINER for a low price.

—Mrs. Mary Ann McCullom died at the county farm early Tuesday morning, aged 66 years. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon.

—Read the change in the adv. of Mrs. E. E. Chambers & Co., in this issue. They are doing a rushing business and their adv. shows latest goods.

—The Protected Home Circle will hold a dime social in Backus hall Wednesday evening, April 20. All are invited to attend. Doors open at 8 o'clock.

—The concert given last Monday evening for the benefit of the poor burial fund was a success from a musical point of view, but a dismal failure financially.

—C. D. Eckels of Cambridge Springs, a brother of our esteemed townsman, W. P. Eckels, has been nominated to the Assembly by the Republicans of Crawford county.

—M. O'Reilly is critically ill at his home with inflammation of the bowels. Mr. O'Reilly had just returned home from a month's visit with relatives and friends at Pittsburg.

—While engaged at his occupation of driller on a well between Mt. Jewett and Kane Thursday, H. A. Burns received a blow on the head from a string of tools, which broke his nose and otherwise injured him, fortunately not seriously.—Mt. Jewett Herald.

—Miss Ima Hellpoppie of Oklahoma has asked the permission of the courts to change her name to Ima Helper.—Ex. By all means "helper," or allow her to retain her old name and enlist in Uncle Sam's service. Such a name would make the Dons tremble in their boots.

[illegible] with an addition on the east and otherwise repaired. This makes another very comfortable dwelling.

—Scott Redfield received a telegram from Paul Hamlin, who is at Washington, D. C., last Monday afternoon to disband his company, as there would be no war.

—The county auditors ought in all reason to surcharge the county commissioners for neglect of duty in not allowing the fountains to play on the court house lawn.

—The residence of P. J. Murphy of Kane with all its contents was destroyed by fire early Sunday morning. Loss about $2,000; insurance $1,050, says the Republican.

—The Daily Gazette & Bulletin of Williamsport presented quite a patriotic appearance last Friday. Each copy had pasted on the front page a beautiful little United States flag.

—The concert to be given next Tuesday, under the direction of Miss Bessie Taylor, for the benefit of the Smethport Glee Club, promises to be the event of the season. Attend.

—St. Luke's church was filled during the three hours' service on Good Friday. The Rector made seven addresses upon the last words from the Cross and preached to the children at 4 p. m.

—The Smethport Improvement Society had an interesting meeting on Monday, April 4, in the Library room of the court house. Interest is rapidly increasing in this line of work in the borough.

—Will McKean county organize another Bucktail regiment?—Era. She has the men and they are eager to enlist, but they would find it necessary to use something besides Bucktails to adorn their caps.

—J. C. Cunningham of East Smethport went to Wellsboro Wednesday to meet the members of his old regiment. He was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Julia, as far as Lawrenceville, where she will visit friends.

—The MINER is under obligations to Hon. C. W. Stone for a copy of the report of the Naval Board of Inquiry upon the destruction of the battleship Maine. The work is very complete, containing some 300 pages and fine illustrations.

—A most remarkable game of base ball, as regards the number of innings, was played at St. Louis last Sunday by the Browns of that city and the Brewers of Milwaukee. It required 20 innings to decide the question in favor of St. Louis by a score of 12 to 11.

—Rev. Father Flood preached a very liberal and excellent sermon at the funeral of Michael Grant last Wednesday morning. He introduced into his sermon many historical events of great interest to his hearers, especially those who were close enough to hear him distinctly.

—Judge Morrison has pronounced unconstitutional the ordinance enacted by the city councils of Erie levying a tax of one dollar on every bicycle owned and ridden in that city. About $1,500 has been collected which the city will be compelled to pay back to the cyclers.

—The Cymbal Swedish Male Quartet, composed of W. Marker, 1st tenor; A. Jonson, 2d tenor; W. Eastberg, 1st bass; O. H. Sundell, 2d bass, will give a concert at the Swedish Free-Christian church on Thursday evening of next week. Admission free. A collection will be taken to defray expenses.

—The semi-annual convention of the W. C. T. U., of McKean county will be held at the M. E. church in East Bradford, April 21 and 22. Mrs. Ella Boole of Brooklyn will be in attendance on Friday and will lecture Friday evening. Mrs. Boole needs no introduction to the people of Smethport.

—Mrs. T. A. Morrison was circulating a petition last Wednesday night asking the county commissioners to erect a flag staff on the court house lawn and place old glory thereon. It is a pleasure to see the flag waving at any time, but on such an occasion it would be doubly so. Fling the banner to the breeze.

—The writer had the pleasure of riding a Columbia chainless one evening this week and is now of the opinion that it is the coming wheel. Two hundred and thirty pounds avoirdupois was most vigorously placed on what the knockers call "the weak points" of this wheel, but the Columbia chainless refused to yield. The one objection to this wheel is the price mark—$125.

—At St. Luke's church on next Sunday, the octave of Easter, the services will be at 10 and 10:30 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. Most of the music of Easter Day will be repeated at the services, with a sermon in the morning by the Rector on the "Power of the Resurrection." At the evening service there will be a choir festival, with a collection of Easter anthem and oratorio music.

Miss Myra Lloyd Dock will lecture at Kittredge opera house Wednesday evening, April 20, on "Forestry and Village Improvement." This lecture is the fourth number in the Smethport entertainment course. She comes highly recommended and every citizen of Smethport and vicinity should hear her upon this interesting subject that is attracting the attention of the people in all localities.

—Last Monday evening at about 7 o'clock John M. Reilly, with some others, was catching ball on Main street near Colegrove's store. Some one threw a high ball which John attempted to catch, but misjudged its speed and the ball passed through his hands striking him in the eye and made a very painful wound. Dr. John Clark attended the injury and reports Mr. Reilly as getting along nicely.

—Easter was celebrated at the Methodist church with exercises in the evening. Recitations and songs by the little ones and papers by the older ones was the order of the service. In the morning the pastor preached an eloquent sermon on the subject, "Jesus and the Resurrection." The choir had especially prepared music, and with the beautiful solo of Miss Elida Wright the Easter services at that church passed off successfully. A goodly sum was raised for mission.

—The assurance that the Camp Glass Company will locate in Smethport has encouraged our people and a great many improvements in dwellings and business places are looked for during the coming summer. We now have the neatest and prettiest town in the county and with the prospective improvements we will be able to extend the limit to the State if not raise it entirely. It is understood that one gentleman will erect from six to ten tenant houses and there are others who will not be far behind.

—A MINER representative visited Port Allegany last week and was surprised to find such a vast improvement in that staid old town. Ground has been broken for the Appert glass factory and there is considerable other building being done there. The Connolly House, an elegant new hotel owned and managed by A. J. Connolly, the Port Allegany House, S. C. Sartwell, proprietor, and the Bartwell House, C. S. King, proprietor, are enjoying well-deserved liberal patronage. A number of the stores and other business places are being remodeled and Port is fast becoming a metropolitan city.

His sister Della Hearst has applied for a divorce from her husband Thomas Hearst. The respondent in this case is the man who figured in the rape case in two separate sessions of court. The first resulting in a disagreement and the other in an acquittal. Mrs. Hearst asks for a divorce on the ground of cruel treatment.

—The following [illegible] of our laws: Ladies Susan B. Anthony, May Wright Sewall, Mary T. Hunt, Zerelda G. Wallace, Lady Henry Somerset, Countess of Aberdeen, Frances E. Willard, A. S. Benjamin, Ellen M. Henrotin, Rachel Foster Avery, Hara Brownlee Sherwood, Isabella Charles Davis, Mary Lowe Dickinson and Sallie American.—Lillian M. Hollister, Sup. Com'. in L. O. T. M. Review.

—Michael Grant, a veteran of the late war, died at the county farm last Monday, aged 79 years. The deceased served five years and six months in battery E United States Artillery. He had made his home at the farm paying his board, as he was well taken care of there and could have all the comforts of a home. McKean Post, No. 347, took charge of the remains. funeral services were held at St. Elizabeth's church Wednesday at 9 a. m., Rev. Father Flood officiating. The remains were laid at rest in St. Elizabeth's cemetery.

—Our "Bold McIntyre" is off duty today as a result of a joyous Easter. Jimmie wears a smile that you can hear four blocks away. It all comes from being papa of a pretty 12-pound girl which arrived yesterday and has taken up quarters in the McIntyre household. Jimmie has got his little speech down pat: "Have a smoke on baby's papa, mother and child doing well." Jimmie had already purchased a pair of red top boots and a pair of suspenders for his prospective boy, but fate willed otherwise.—Monday's Star. Boy wanted.

—Mrs. Mary Madigan, wife of Michael Madigan, departed this life on Tuesday afternoon, April 12, at her home on the Alton road a short distance from town. The husband and three sons, Henry, Fred and Ben mourn the loss of this devoted wife and mother. Mrs. Madigan has lived in this place for the past seventeen years and was highly esteemed by friends and neighbors for her many good qualities and kind offices wherever she could be of service. She was of a quiet and retiring disposition, but full of the spirit of kindness and sympathy and helpfulness. May she rest in peace. The funeral was held at St. Luke's church yesterday afternoon and the interment was made in Rose Hill cemetery.

—At the last meeting of McKean Post, No. 347, G. A. R., a motion was made to dispense with the parade and oration on Decoration Day and a committee of two was appointed to consult with the citizens and find out the wishes of the majority. The MINER suggests that the committee, and as many of our citizens as can, meet at the Grand Central, Saturday, April 16, and thus arrive at some understanding and agree upon a program. Rev. I. T. Walker will deliver an address on that day and the band will give us all the music necessary for the occasion. Let us contribute to this great day both time and money to honor the brave deeds of our nation's defenders. Keep this day ever fresh in the memory of the rising generation. Let all who can turn out at this meeting.

—A western paper is authority for the statement that in the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Then he made the editor, and the liberal advertiser and prompt paying subscribers, and it was good. The next day a blizzard set in and he created the man who didn't believe in advertising, and another who didn't take his home paper, and then he rested. The devil then got into the moulding room and he created the fellow that takes the paper for years and then fails to pay for it. And after completing that sorry job, having a few lumps of mouldy, pigsty mud left, he made the excuse for a man, who settles his subscription by instructing his postmaster to mark his paper "refused," and he felt so mean about it that he has been kicking himself ever since.

—Kane Republican of Wednesday last: John Burns died yesterday morning at 9 o'clock after an illness of only five days of pneumonia. Deceased was born in Ireland in 1835, where he lived until 1854 and was first married to Mary Ann Power, who died in 1861, leaving three girls, now Mrs. P. J. Daly of Kane, Mrs. Sheaton and Mrs. Cavelery, of Bradford. In 1864 he was again married to Elizabeth Connelly with whom he had several children, all surviving him but one boy. Early in the fifties he went to Smethport where he lived until four years ago when he came to Kane and was employed on the P. & E. R. R. He was a kind father and will be greatly missed. The funeral will be held in St. Callistus church tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. Father Winkler officiating, where the last rites of the Catholic church will be solemnized over him.

Observance of the Lord's Day.

By request of the local W. C. T. Union, on next Sabbath, April 17th, sermons on above topic will be preached as follows: In the morning, at the Methodist church, by Rev. Dr. Walker; in the evening, at the Baptist church, by Rev. T. R. Taylor. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

S. A. SCULL, Pres.

Mrs. Carrie Reilly wishes to call the attention of her many patrons to the fact that she is again ready to supply their wants in millinery, etc. Her stock of trimmed and pattern hats is unusually large and covers the latest in fashion's fancies most completely. Her millinery supplies are exceedingly stylish and fancy. Watch for notice of summer opening later. Satisfy yourself by calling on her in the Reilly block, Smethport.

A Card.

Through a very pardonable misapprehension the concert given on April 11, for the poor burial fund, was announced as under the auspices of the W. C. T. U., whereas the concert was entirely independent of the Union.

S. A. SCULL,
President.

Garbage Notice.

The council has made arrangements with D. C. Young to allow all garbage to be dumped in the cove on the right hand side of the road, below the residence of Clint Irons at the lower end of the borough. A road has been built down to the cove and all garbage must be hauled there.

Splendid Success

has been had in cases of colic, diarrhoea, etc., by using Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. As a household remedy for such troubles it is invaluable. Buy a 10c trial bottle and you are bound to be convinced. To be had of A. B. Armstrong & Co.

A Grand Offer.

The MINER and thrice a week World for the small sum of $1.65, strictly in advance. This gives you 208 papers a year for the above small sum. Send in your subscription at once and reap the benefit of this exceptionally low offer.

For Sale.

One of the prettiest Rambler bicycles in this section for sale at four [illegible] A1 condition, suitable for lady [illegible] F. C. Pierce's dental office.

When in Olean if you desire a first-class meal for 25 cents call at the Palm Restaurant, 250 Union street.

A telegram received here Tuesday night announcing the death of Mrs. Mary P. Brown, [illegible]

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An early history of Elk county speaks of her in the following [illegible] she has been, and still is, a woman of wonderful energy and unconquerable ambition. No matter in what society she might live, she could be nothing less than the acknowledged peer of the truest and best. No sacrifice was ever demanded, or ever could be demanded, which she would not cheerfully make for her husband and children. She enjoys the esteem of all who know her and she glories in the unquestioned affection of all her children and children's children."

This beautiful tribute was paid to her high type of womanhood about ten years ago and shows how firmly she had entwined her love in the hearts of all with whom she associated.

In 1828 she, in company with her husband and two small children, came to Elk county where for years they endured all the hardships and privations that were the lot of all the early settlers. Six children blessed this union, all living except J. L. Brown who died at Wilcox on the 12th of last December and Mrs. Mary A. Alton who died at Cicero last summer. The surviving daughters are Mesdames Olive J. Moyer and Eunice J. Hewitt of Elk county. Col. R. W. Brown, Auditor Spoils of the Secretary of War, Washington, D. C., and Major Isaac B. Brown, Deputy Secretary of Internal Affairs at Harrisburg, are the only sons alive. The husband departed this life some ten years ago and was buried in the cemetery at Cicero, which he assisted in clearing up when a young man, and where his life companion for almost three-quarters of a century was to-day placed by his side, there to remain until the final trumpet shall sound that shall awaken them to a more exceeding glory, never more to be separated.

The Quick or the Dead.

Last Saturday O. S. Greeley of Ormsby sent William Ladlee, formerly of Stroudsburg, Monroe Co., Pa., but lately of Ormsby, to the bank here with several checks, amounting to $225. The checks were cashed by Mr. Burdick. The young man asked for $25 in change and Mr. Burdick gave him bills for that amount in ones and twos. Now the mystery commences. Mrs. Mark Sheldon, who resides about two miles from the borough on the Ormsby road, claimed to have talked with Ladlee Saturday afternoon; later she said it was the day previous that she had seen him. But her first statement started people to searching and it was reported that a pair of new shoes recently purchased by Ladlee had been found near the reservoir.

Great excitement prevailed until Sunday afternoon, when the the reservoir was drained but no dead body was discovered. Then Robert Shown of East Smethport was reported to have seen the absconding man on his wheel going up Bush hill. Mr. Greeley and a Mr. Foster started in pursuit. They got trace of the supposed fugitive at Mr. Van Sickles, near the devil's elbow, where it is alleged he secured a lunch. Mr. Greeley learned that he had passed through Elmx Saturday at about 4 p. m. and the same man was reported to have been seen at about 6 a. m. Sunday at Coudersport. Here all trace of him was lost and Mr. Greeley returned home.

Jack McCabe says that he saw Ladlee at about 11 o'clock Saturday morning attempting to hide his wheel under the bridge on Marvin street. Last Monday he found a wheel above the ball grounds, which Leon Grigsby states belongs to Ladlee.

As we go to press there is no news so far of Ladlee. His friends at Ormsby dislike to believe he is not perfectly honest and think foul play has been the cause of his disappearance.

Death of an Old Settler.

Yesterday morning at 6:20 A. P. Brewer, one of Norwich township's most influential farmers, bade adieu to all earthly things and passed to that bourne from whence no traveler returns, at the age of 77 years. The deceased had been ill with pneumonia for about two weeks and at last succumbed to the fell destroyer.

His parents came to McKean county from Connecticut in 1815 and settled on the farm where the deceased was born and where he resided until his demise. In 1841 he was joined in wedlock to Miss Helen Colegrove of Norwich township. Four children blessed this union, namely: W. W., of Mt. Jewett; Milton A.; Melvin F.; and Nellie Alcena (now deceased).

Mr. Brewer was a man of strong personalities and quite a prominent citizen in the vicinity where he resided. Mr. Brewer served six years as county auditor and six years as county commissioner. He served in various township offices all of which he filled with credit to himself and pleasure to his constituents.

The management of this paper has had the pleasure of an acquaintance with the deceased for over 25 years, and we look with pleasure to the many enjoyable times passed together in the "Auld Lang Syne." His frequent visits to this office during our sojourn in McKean county have been most heartily enjoyed. We shall miss his smiling face and hearty grasp of the hand. He has gone to rest from his labors.

The funeral will be held to-morrow at 2 p. m., at Colegrove.

Foreign Missionary Society.

The special Holy Week services at the Methodist Episcopal church were well attended and of unusual interest. At the close of the Thursday evening service the ladies of the church organized a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and elected the following officers:

President—Mrs. I. T. Walker.
1st Vice Prest.—Mrs. C. C. Baker.
2d Vice Prest.—Mrs. H. M. Taber.
3d Vice Prest.—Mrs. C. H. Burlingame.
Recording Sec'y—Mrs. F. W. Brownell.
Cor. Sec'y—Miss Genevieve Stevenson.
Treasurer—Mrs. M. L. Palmer.

The society starts into life with twenty-six members. The several Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies of the church raised last year for missions over $300,000. Its missionaries now go into all the world. It was organized in 1869.

A Clever Trick.

It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has lame back and weak kidneys, malaria or nervous troubles. We mean he can cure himself right away by taking Electric Bitters. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to the liver and kidneys, is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures constipation, headache, fainting spells, sleeplessness and melancholy. [illegible] A. B. Armstrong [illegible]

The Rooms [illegible] Water street.

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—Mr. [illegible] Eldred [illegible]

—Landlord [illegible] Smethport [illegible]

[illegible] down from Mt. Jewett yesterday.

Mrs. [illegible] Morrison visited Sunbury friends over Sunday.

Deputy Sheriff W. D. Clarke visited Kane on business Monday.

Landlord R. C. Cleveland of Mt. Jewett was in town Tuesday.

Elisha K. Kane of Kushequa was a brief caller in town Monday.

Sheriff Davis transacted business in Corydon the last of the week.

Mrs. M. Ostman of Eldred was a guest of friends in town yesterday.

Mrs. S. R. Bell has been visiting her husband for several days at Kane.

F. S. Baker is in DuBois on business pertaining to our new glass plant.

Mrs. E. T. Daly and Mrs Carrie Reilly drove to Port Allegany Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Gallup and son, Will Henry, of Straights are in town.

Hayes Heath of Eldred-Kane-Kushequa visited the county seat Thursday.

R. C. Kane and Miss Ida Ellingsfeld drove to Port Allegany on Saturday last.

Claud Heath of Eldred was in town yesterday renewing old acquaintances.

A. J. Axburg, one of Clermont's hustling farmers, was a pleasant caller yesterday.

County Treasurer T. B. Clark and Gus Cable were over from Bradford Monday.

U. J. Hamlin returned Monday evening from a visit to Buffalo and Geneva friends.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Sartwell of Eldred spent Easter with Mr. and Mrs. R. Sartwell.

J. C. McKenna and Mr. Rockafellow of Bradford were brief visitors in town Wednesday.

Misses Besse and Jennie Heasey of Bradford were visiting friends in town Wednesday.

County Auditors C. W. Freeman and J. C. Cannon, Jr., were in town Wednesday night.

Miss Eva Beers came over from Bradford Saturday. She returned home on Tuesday morning.

John Raban of Colegrove was in town Saturday, and he did not forget the needs of the printer.

J. H. Layton formerly of Larabee now of Colegrove was a most agreeable caller last Wednesday.

Mrs. W. R. Gibson of Bradford is a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Knapp, of King street.

J. H. Markham of Kane responded to the recital of the bill of fare at the Grand Central Wednesday.

Horace Redfield went to Buffalo last Monday to accompany Miss Helen Forrest home from school.

Mrs. Mayme L. Bissett of Bradford was called home Monday by the illness of her father, M. O'Reilly.

Miss Rena Gallup came home from Fredonia to spend Easter with her parents, returning to school Tuesday.

Craig Rose of Binghamton, N. Y., has been the guest of his grandfather, Judge Henry Hamlin, for several days.

Misses Ruth Ellis of Ellicottville, N. Y., Margaret Ellis of Lima, Ohio, were guests of T. A. Morrison and family Wednesday.

Mrs. D. C. Young visited Buffalo Monday to meet her daughter, Miss Lois, who arrived home from school at Albany Tuesday night.

W. H. Randall and son, W. S., of Duke Centre were in town on business last Friday. The veteran was a most agreeable caller at this office.

W. P. Eckels, Sheridan Gorton, Dr. John Clark and W. F. Specht took in the Knight Templars' proceedings at Bradford last Friday night.

Col. Lucius Rogers came down from Kane and spent Sunday with his family. He is under the necessity of using a cane yet, but will soon be able to dispense with that.

Judge Henry Hamlin departed for Binghamton Tuesday morning. The Judge will very likely visit the great gas territory near Syracuse, where a monster well was opened last Saturday.

J. L. Ward spent Sunday with his family at Port Allegany. On his return Monday he reported that about 35 or forty carpenters and stone masons had commenced work there that morning.

Judge W. S. Brownell, F. W. Brownell and W. F. Specht departed for Cicero, N. Y., to attend the funeral of Mrs. Mary P. Brown, sister of the first named gentlemen and aunt of the last two.

B. F. Cory of Coryville was in town last Monday. He informed the writer that he expected to let bark contracts this spring in Moody Hollow amounting to about 3,500 cords and would stock between five and six million feet of logs.

W. D. Gallup paid a brief business visit to Buffalo Tuesday. His not returning until late completely demoralized the "Knep noodle club" for a couple of hours as they had no place to gather where they could discuss the war news.

St. Luke's Church.

JOYOUS EASTER SERVICES—FESTIVAL MUSIC AND FLORAL DECORATIONS.

The great Easter Day, the highest of all days, which has made every first day of the week a Sunday or Lord's day, was celebrated with solemn services and a splendor of music and floral emblems at St. Luke's church. The beautiful church was made more beautiful by the wealth of flowers and festival decorations, the altars being arrayed in white, with groups of lights and many lilies, roses and other plants. The font was banked with a fine collection of daffodils and plants, while calla lilies stood on the corners of the altar steps, and potted plants of flowers and rich foliage filled every window in the sacred edifice. The elaborate floral symbols of nature were in keeping with the equally elaborate musical services which voiced the spirit and the great lesson of the day, and with the solemn ritual and the Rector's sermon were in accord as offerings to the honor and glory of the risen and victorious King. At the 8 a. m. celebration of the Holy Eucharist the church was filled and three-fifths of all the communicants received the Holy Communion. At the 10:30 a. m. high celebration of the holy Eucharist the large choir went in procession down the south aisle and up through the centre alley singing the old Easter hymn with the Alleluia sequence. Then began Eyre's festival service in E-flat with its rich music and fine fugal parts in the Credo and Gloria, the Sanctus, with its grand climax, being from Gounod's St. Cecilia Mass; the offertorium was Agutter's "Victimae Paschali" with solo, trio and chorus, and harp accompaniment in passages, which the large organ skillfully imitated. At Evensong the same composer's festival Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis were rendered, with Handel's Hallelujah Chorus from "The Messiah." The Rector addressed the children on the story of the Resurrection and its lessons, dwelling upon the difference between the real resurrection of the body and the resurrection as many people fancy it. Announcement was made of the children's missionary offerings and the offerings of the congregation, and a word of thankful appreciation was spoken for the rich blessings of the day and the splendid music by the choir under the director, Dr. H. L. McCoy, and the talented young organist, Miss Emily McCoy.

Easter services were also celebrated at All Saints' Chapel, East Smethport, which was handsomely decorated with flowers and evergreens and the white festival hangings for the altar and sanctuary.

To St. Luke's church and the large congregations assembled it was an Easter Day of joy and thanksgiving long to be remembered.

To Young People.

Rev. Dr. Walker will deliver a series of evening sermons to the young people of Smethport, beginning next Sabbath evening, April 17.

April 17—"Christian Integrity, or Daniel in Babylon."

April 24—"Joseph in Egypt, or Virtue Rewarded."

May 1—"Conscience as a Regulative Faculty."

[illegible]—"David and Goliath, the Superiority of [illegible]"

[illegible]

[illegible] evenings.

3-4t JOHN WALKER, Sec.

[illegible] ABOUT THE BOTTLE.

Abstain from all appearance of evil. 1 Thess. 5; 22.

[illegible] among riotous eaters of flesh: for the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty. Prov. 23, 20, 21.

[illegible] raging, and whosoever is deceived [illegible]. Who hath [illegible] without cause? Who hath [illegible] Prov. 20; 1, 23; 29.

They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine. Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his color in the cup, when it moveth itself aright. Prov. 23; 30, 31.

At the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder. Prov. 23; 32.

It is good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor anything whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, or is made weak. If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow Me. Rom. 14; 21, Luke 9; 23.

Noah began to be an husbandman, and he planted a vineyard; and he drank of the wine and was drunken; and he was uncovered within his tent. Genesis 9; 20.

Wine is a mocker. Prov. 20; 1.

We will drink no wine. Jer. 35; 6.

Not given to wine. 1 Tim. 3; 3.

Be not drunk with wine. Eph. 5; 18.

Do not drink wine nor strong drink. Lev. 10; 9.

Woe unto them that are mighty to drink wine. Isa. 5; 22.

No drunkard shall inherit the kingdom of God. I Cor. 6; 10.

Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink. Heb. 2; 15.

Their wine is the poison of dragons. Deut. 32; 33.

Woe unto them that follow strong drink. Isa. 5; 11.

Swallowing dirt. The humorist, Bob Burdette, gives this recipe for swallowing dirt:

"My homeless friend with the chromatic nose, while you are stirring up the sugar in a ten cent glass of gin, let me give you a fact to wash down with it. You may say you have longed for years for the free, independent life of a farmer but you have never been able to get money enough to buy a farm. But there is where you are mistaken. For some years you have been drinking a good, improved farm at the rate of one hundred square feet a gulp. If you doubt this statement figure it out for yourself. An acre of land contains 43,560 feet; estimating, for convenience, the land at $43.56 an acre, you will see that it brings the land to just one mill per square foot. Now pour down the fiery dose and imagine you are swallowing a strawberry patch. Call in five of your friends and have them help you gulp down that 500 foot garden. Get on a prolonged spree some day and see how long it would take to swallow a pasture to feed a cow. Put down that glass of gin; there is dirt in it—three hundred feet of good rich dirt, worth $43.56 per acre."

Alcohol as a Medicine.

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As an external application alcohol, either in its natural or its distilled form, has always been used as a dressing for wounds. The ancient use of oil and wine for this purpose is well known. In the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries alcohol was applied as a dressing to incised and other clean wounds and also to those attacked with gangrene. Recent observations attest its excellence in arresting hemorrhage, coagulating the albumen of exuded plasma, preventing the putrefaction of discharges and promoting cicatrization.

In 1870 Dr. Blair, a Scotch physician, published an account of the use of strong whiskey as a popular dressing for wounds among his countrymen and of his having then recently seen it employed in the Parisian hospitals. (Glascow Med. Jour., II, 204.) From 1872 Perrin employed alcoholic dressings and proclaimed their superiority in compound and comminuted fractures, especially when complicated with contusions of the soft parts; also in wounds of whatever kind which tended to putrefaction, and he held them to be more efficient, as well as more convenient, than carbolic-acid dressings. He found that alcohol protected such injuries from gangrene, excessive suppuration, and usually from erysipelas, while they rapidly acquired a healthy aspect and the traumatic fever accompanying them was slight. He gave the preference to alcohol over all other applications as a dressing for surgical wounds, including amputations. (Bull. de Therap., XCVI, 303). In 1874 and again in 1880 and 1882 the whiskey dressing was highly recommended by Sneeserett (Phila. Med. Times, 774; XI, 138; XII, 872) and in 1882 Gosselin used diluted alcohol to promote the cure of abscesses. Having been found by a small incision, they were evacuated as far as possible and washed out with alcohol, and also dressed with it. The purulent discharge rapidly became serous, the abscesses contracted and healed more rapidly than by any other method (Times and Gaz., March, 1882, p. 311). Plessing injected with good results a superficial aneurism of the occipital artery. He used at first a 50 per cent. and afterwards a 75 per cent. dilution (Therap. Gaz., XI, 103). Helgate employed the same method of treating vascular naevus (Med. Record, XXXVI, 346). In dressing wounds, after removing foreign substances and clotted blood, the part is bathed with the alcoholic liquid and covered with compresses saturated with the same and protected by some impermeable covering. It should be kept moist with the liquor for several days, during which it should, if possible, remain undisturbed. Afterward the dressing may be changed daily or less frequently, according to circumstances. It is an efficient dressing for atonic ulcers and gangrenous lesions, tends to prevent and heal fissure of the nipples and excitation of the feet by walking and is the best of all applications to recent bruises and sprains and superficial inflammations, and as a vehicle for other agents fitted for this purpose and for stimulating paralyzed limbs. Alcohol has been used to remove polypi of the nostrils and of the middle and external ear. It does so by abstracting the water of which they largely consist and coagulating their albumen. It has been injected into angiomatous and other soft tumors to cure them by hardening them (Virch. Arch. LXXXV, 172); hypodermatic injections of alcohol have been used to cure varicocele. The anaesthetic power of alcohol has long been known, as exhibited by the greater or less insensibility of intoxicated persons who meet with accident and of women who unconsciously give birth to children while drunk. It was even employed to diminish the shock of surgical operations and to facilitate the reduction of dislocations. It was formerly the custom before operations to administer a draught of alcohol and laudanum; and even since the introduction of anaesthetics it has often been found that their depressing effects are in this manner prevented, while their soporific action is more decided and occurs more promptly (Mason Jour. of Inebriety, Oct. 1882).

In closing this paper on "Alcohol as a Medicine" I wish to be understood as having no desire to make light of the good work done by the W. C. T. U. or of temperance as taught in the public schools, but I cannot help but think that those who desire to further the cause of temperance would accomplish much in that direction by stating the plain facts in regard to alcohol, instead of distorting them. What I have said in regard to alcohol as a medicine cannot be truthfully contradicted.

McKean Post, No. 347, in Line.

W. D. Stauffer, Commander Dep't of Penn'a, G. A. R.

DEAR SIR:—At a regular meeting of this Post held April 7, 1898, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, That we, the members of McKean Post, No. 347, G. A. R., hereby tender our services to W. D. Stauffer, Dep't Commander, and through him to the General Government, in case of war between these United States and Spain."

From the minutes.

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BRADFORD.

The members of Company C of Bradford are just at present living in hourly expectation of a call to their country's defense. No specific orders have been received by Captain Burns, or if they have he has nothing to say on the matter for publication. The captain has enrolled a full complement of men and to say that they are all patriots and willing and anxious to go would be superfluous. Their accoutrements are all packed and the company stands in readiness to respond to a call to arms at a moment's notice. Some of the finest and most popular young men in the city belong to the company and their friends hope if they do go they will have an opportunity of distinguishing themselves.

In spite of many drawbacks and discouragements we are really going to have base ball this summer after all. The Washington street grounds have been leased and all this week a gang of men have been busy getting the place into shape. Manager Stuart has signed a strong team which will report for practice April 25. On April 28 an exhibition game will be played at Ridgway. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 12, 13 and 14 games will be played with Olean. The season will thus be opened in a very interesting way. Manager Stewart is confident of a most successful season and his idea will undoubtedly be fulfilled if the team and sport receive the proper encouragement and support.

The vexed question of a school building site is by no means settled yet. At a meeting of the Board of School Control held last week the members were confronted by Eugene Mullin, attorney for the taxpayers of the city, who stated that no site could be purchased till the legality of the authority for such a proceeding had been thoroughly established. There seems to be a question as to whether or not the board can legally issue bonds for a building. There is now some talk of building additions to the other school houses and letting it go at that. At present the matter of purchasing a lot is in statu quo.

In case of war there is one industrial project in this end of the county that will not be carried out. That is the extension of the Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburg railroad to Pittsburg. A prominent official of the road made this statement to your correspondent recently. The road will be, if completed, 98 miles in length. Before there was any talk of war 12 miles of this contract was let. Since hostilities have been talked of no more contracts have been given and there are at present only about 100 men at work on the extension and no prospects of any more of the work being let out.

The west branch of the Erie railroad, known as the Sugar Run railroad, which ran between Sugar Run and Bradford, has been abandoned. This road had been running six years, during which time it has been kept up by the shipment of lumber from that section. Now, however, the lumber business is played out and so the road goes under. C. V. Merrick was superintendent of the road which employed in all 9 men. Work was started last week tearing up and removing the rails.

Frederick E. Bradley, an employe of the B. R. & P. railroad, was killed near Hutchins Tuesday morning. Bradley was at work on the wrecking train and a truck rolling off carried him with it, crushing him to death. The unfortunate man was aged 23 years and leaves a young wife who is nearly distracted over the awful calamity. The remains were brought to their home on Cottage Row from which place the interment will be made.

The house of Dr. M. R. Webster, pastor of the Methodist church, was robbed last Sunday evening while Mr. and Mrs. Webster were at divine service. The thief, or thieves, stole a gold watch and 2 chains which were greatly valued by Mr. and Mrs. Webster as mementoes of a dead daughter. The affair was reported to the police, but thus far all efforts to locate the property or capture the burglars have been in vain.

Prof. Rhode, the erstwhile barber and willom pugilist of this city, will fight John Greenewald of Johnsonburg before the Central Hose Athletic Club at that town May 5. The contest will be 15 rounds for a purse of $125. Rhode was recently in Buffalo where he was chaperoned by the Enquirer. Shortly after the bout in Johnsonburg he will meet an unknown in the Bison city.

Conductor John Hayes of the B., R. & P. railroad is a very popular man. In a contest recently conducted by a Buffalo paper to ascertain who was the most popular conductor on trains running into that city, Conductor Hayes received the second largest number of votes. The prize received was a fine upright piano.

The police force is getting very vigilant these days and the officers are making a great number of arrests of suspicious characters. The city is overrun with tramps and hobos and if a few dozen were gotten rid of it would certainly be a good thing for all concerned.

At a meeting of the Board of Health held recently Dr. Winger was elected President and J. Franklin was re-elected Health Officer. J. A. Lindsey was re-elected clerk of the board.

Easter was duly observed in all our churches. The musical programs rendered at the various houses of worship were artistically all that could be desired.

The Temple Club gave one of their delightful dances at the Masonic Temple Tuesday evening.

Season tickets for base ball, good for 68 games, will be sold by Manager Stuart for $15.

The Orpheus Club will dance at Exchange Lyceum Friday evening.

Will Higgins left Tuesday evening for Washington.

LARABEE.

About 6 o'clock Monday afternoon fire was discovered eating through the roof of A. L. Rice's residence on upper Main street. The alarm was given and the neighbors rushed to the rescue, but the flames had gained such headway that it was impossible to save the building and all attention was given to saving all the household effects possible. Never did men and women work harder, or with more telling results. Nearly everything was saved, excepting some furniture and bedding in the chamber. The house was uninsured and the loss is a heavy blow to Mr. Rice.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmond Sterling drove down from Mina Sunday and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Adams.

Miss Nelly Woodard of Coudersport visited her aunt, Mrs. Almon Carpenter Monday and Tuesday.

Ed. Adams our boss wheelman is fast forging to the front as a record breaker in rapid transit.

Miss Helen Berg, of Eldred spent Easter with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Nils Berg.

Mrs. D. D. Otto is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gainer of Newell creek.

The delightful fragrance of the leek floats on the breeze once more.

Alex Z. Champlin was greeting friends in town Tuesday.

The trailing arbutus is out in all its beauty sweetness.

Z. B. Carpenter and sister drove to Eldred Tuesday.

Miss Anna Berg is visiting friends in Colegrove.

A. J. Anderson is suffering with a lame back.

ANNIN CREEK.

Rev. Langhade finished his work as pastor of the Baptist church here last Sunday. He has moved to East Otto, N. Y.

Miss Josephine Buckley has returned home from Olean where she has been staying for a few weeks.

Misses May Belle Harder and Carrie June have returned from a week's visit in Port Allegany.

Ed. Davis was in Portville the last of the week seeking treatment for a very lame knee.

Elwin Cooper and wife started for their home in Iowa last Tuesday.

Wm. Corwin was over from Red Rock the forepart of the week.

Harry Evans was doing business in Olean one day recently.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Tubbs went to Port Allegany Friday.

H. A. Harder was down from Port Allegany Wednesday.

Milo Evans returned home from Norwich Friday.

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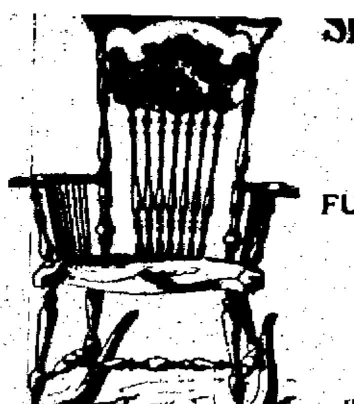

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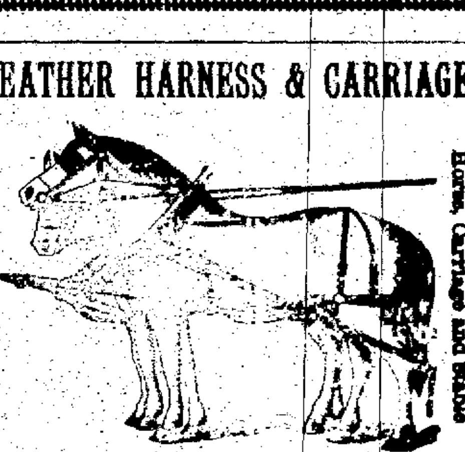

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"[illegible] SYNE."

[illegible] of the Poem in [illegible] an Albany Lady.

[illegible] Reynolds contributes to [illegible] article on "The Manu[illegible] Lang Syne," the article [illegible] by a facsimile of the [illegible] Reynolds says:

[illegible] another John V. L. Pruyn [illegible] the successful purchaser [illegible] Syne" and the one to [illegible] one of America's [illegible] facts regarding its re[illegible] country are of peculiar in[illegible] bring the history of the [illegible] more than a century

[illegible] was a lover of curios, and [illegible] the kind connected with [illegible] past, and his collecting [illegible] ment not evident in the [illegible] collector. In 1859 the [illegible] the birthday of Robert [illegible] the occasion for a cele[illegible] cent cities of the United [illegible] literary people of Albany [illegible] the day by memorial [illegible] hall on the evening [illegible] to the event Mr. [illegible] that it would be a fea[illegible] secure this autograph [illegible] "Auld Lang Syne." [illegible] was a famous purchaser [illegible] in those days, supplying [illegible] Mr. John Carter [illegible] museum and others [illegible] the most valuable old [illegible] hangs a tale to be [illegible] owned the verses in ques[illegible] a friend of Mr. Pruyn, [illegible] regarding the mat[illegible].

[illegible] was that Mr. Stevens sold [illegible] Mr. Pruyn, and the manu[illegible] to Captain Moody, [illegible] that it should reach [illegible] in time for the cele[illegible] steamship reached New [illegible] day of the celebration, [illegible] hours to get it to Al[illegible] would prove fruit[illegible] was for the captain [illegible] trusty men. With [illegible] it was sent from [illegible] conveyed with all dis[illegible] to the hall in Albany. [illegible] all expectant when, [illegible] he was called from [illegible] he was gone only a [illegible] in what was going [illegible] was lost for the time [illegible] swing of the door, and [illegible] entered, waving aloft the [illegible] exclaiming, "It is [illegible] delight and amid [illegible] Lang Syne' is with us!" [illegible] advanced to the stage [illegible] through. Hardly [illegible] be prevented from [illegible] him, and when it was [illegible] it through enthusiasm [illegible] Never did a chorus so [illegible], and the familiar air [illegible] mighty volume.

[illegible] page was bound within [illegible] covers, and with it was [illegible] to Dr. Richmond from [illegible] Feb. 7, 1788, proving the [illegible] writing in the poem and [illegible] written to Chancellor [illegible] Stevens when sending [illegible].

[illegible] Actor's Speech.

[illegible] al and speechmaking [illegible] part of some of the stage [illegible] leads to striking if not [illegible] De Wolf Hopper, [illegible] Spanish soldier of the [illegible], in the act of reciting [illegible] of the immortal Casey [illegible]. Could anything more [illegible] than Francis Wil[illegible] of a vagabond, mak[illegible] sending his sno[illegible] figures of speech at [illegible] To be called on for a [illegible] in such habiliments [illegible] to disconcert any[illegible] the actor. Jerome [illegible] with the Bostonians, was [illegible] a speech in Philadelphia [illegible] circumstances. The [illegible] of "Prince Ananias" [illegible] McDonald sitting on a [illegible] smoking a cigarette, robed [illegible] of green with lavender [illegible] over his shoulder and a [illegible] on his head. Imag[illegible] of the comedian [illegible] have an audience set up [illegible] speech. Sykes squirmed, [illegible] said, "Go ahead, Jer[illegible]."

[illegible] down to the footlights [illegible] and gentlemen, Mr. [illegible] compatriot, who sits up [illegible] just a minute ago [illegible] little speech prepared [illegible] to have a chance to try [illegible] I hope you'll give him [illegible]

[illegible] McDonald looked silly, [illegible] never again prompted to [illegible] say something."—New [illegible]

[illegible] General's Glass Eye.

[illegible] having lost an eye [illegible] Paris for an artificial [illegible] sent in return one of [illegible] after the general re[illegible] the remark that the eye [illegible] recalled to his mind [illegible] adding at the same [illegible] would wear only an eye [illegible] of his own country. [illegible] made one with [illegible] predominating, these be [illegible] colors. This so pleased [illegible] instead of wearing the [illegible] intended he added it [illegible] of medals.—Post-[illegible]

[illegible] Important Move.

[illegible] word, it's funny! [illegible]

[illegible] we had all our drawing [illegible] altered, the piano moved [illegible] of violent revolutions, [illegible] never noticed it.

[illegible] I don't see any— [illegible] when she came [illegible] What an alter[illegible]

[illegible]—Well?

[illegible] we had moved the [illegible]

[illegible] J. Warren, a drug[illegible] Brook, N. Y., bought [illegible] of Chamberlain's Cough [illegible] up the result as fol[illegible] the goods were [illegible] to day Cham[illegible] Remedy is a household [illegible] the same in hundreds of [illegible] Wherever the good qual[illegible] berlain's Cough Remedy [illegible] the people will have [illegible] For sale by A. B. Arm[illegible]

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[illegible] Cameron, Pa., says: "I [illegible] for ten years, trying most [illegible] remedies, but without [illegible] Witt's Witch Hazel Salve [illegible] to me. I used one [illegible] effected a permanent cure." [illegible] cure for piles DeWitt's [illegible] has no equal. A. B. [illegible] Co.

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[illegible] the mechanic and the bi[illegible] liable to unexpected cuts [illegible] DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve [illegible] to keep on hand. It [illegible] it is a well-known cure [illegible] Armstrong & Co.

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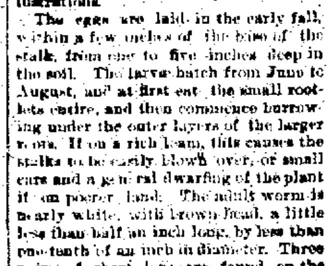
FARM AND GARDEN

CORN ROOT WORM.

A Serious Western Pest Advancing Eastward—Southern Corn Root Worm.

The farmers and entomologists of the central states have long known Diabrotica longicornis, the western corn worm, as one of the worst pests with which they have to deal, and its recent progress eastward through Ohio has been a matter of considerable interest. E. D. Sanderson, writing from Cornell (N. Y.) university to Country Gentleman, gives the life history of this pest and the remedy, accompanied with illustrations.

The eggs are laid in the early fall, within a few inches of the base of the stalk, from one to five inches deep in the soil. The larvæ hatch from June to August, and at first eat the small rootlets entire, and then commence burrowing under the outer layers of the larger roots. If on a rich loam, this causes the stalks to be easily blown over, or small ears and a general dwarfing of the plant if on poorer land. The adult worm is nearly white, with brown head, a little less than half an inch long, by less than one-tenth of an inch in diameter. Three pairs of short legs are found on the segments immediately back of the head, but otherwise the long, cylindrical body appears perfectly smooth to the unaided eye, though seen to have numerous hairs and bristles under the microscope. Before pupation the color becomes slightly darker and the body shortens, becoming more like a common grub. They then leave the roots, form a small oval cell in the soil, transform to pupæ, and in a short time come forth as adult beetles.

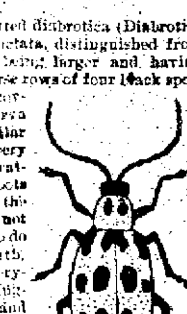


WESTERN CORN ROOT WORM.

The beetles are of a greenish or greenish yellow color and about one-fourth of an inch long, resembling in form the common striped squash beetle. The adults are found in the fields from the latter part of July until the corn silk becomes brown and dry, and often later, feeding upon the silk and pollen, thus doing more or less damage, though slight when compared with that of the larvæ.

The remedy is so simple and effective that it would seem that no one ought to suffer from their injuries. As far as known they have never been injurious to corn after a previous crop of wheat, rye or barley, though the field may have been infected before that, and a crop of corn is then safe for at least two years. Thus a simple rotation, which is also to be recommended on many other grounds, is entirely effectual. Though corn is usually almost its only food, it has been recorded eating various weeds, clover, beans, cucumber and squash vines, apples of which the skin has been broken, cotton flowers, pumpkins and various fungi.

The 12 spotted diabrotica (Diabrotica duodecim punctata, distinguished from the above by being larger and having three transverse rows of four black spots on the wing covers), whose larva has very similar habits and is very injurious, by eating the corn roots throughout the south, has not been known to do so in the north, but is everywhere exceedingly abundant, and the food of the adult is most varied. The beetle is probably best known as attacking squash, melon and cucumber vines, of which it eats voraciously both leaves and fruit, but has also been noticed as injurious to clover, cabbages, cauliflower, beans, beets, hops, cotton, chrysanthemums and various fruit trees.


SOUTHERN CORN ROOT WORM.

In the first cut are shown—a, beetle; b, larva (western corn root worm); c, pupa; d, egg; d', portion of egg enlarged; e, mandible of larva; f, head of larva from above. Hairlines at sides, natural size. In the second cut is represented an enlarged beetle of the southern corn worm.

Worm Free Corn.

Here is what a Maryland farmer writes to American Gardening:

No corn is wormproof. The worm is the bollworm of cotton; bud worm of the northern states or corn worm when found in corn ears. Late fall or winter plowing exposing the pupa or hibernating worm to frost and natural enemies and trapping with lantern traps are about the only remedies practicable. Spraying fails to reach the rascals.

Next New York State Fair.

It has been decided to hold the fifty-eighth annual fair of the New York State Agricultural society at Syracuse the week commencing Monday, Aug. 29, and to offer a premium list which will bring out the best exponents of the industrial progress of the state. Benjamin F. Tracy, New York city, was elected president and James B. Docharty, Albany county, corresponding secretary.

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BARNYARD MANURE.

An Estimate of Its Value and Influence Upon the Land.

In answer to a correspondent who states that his experience leads him to infer that manure, straw, etc., has a fertilizing value not yet specifically measured and that any valuation based upon its content of nitrogen, potash and phosphoric acid is misleading The Country Gentleman replies: It may be said that fertilizers are unquestionably of great value on account of their immediate availability and ease of application and as a substitute for yard manure when this is not available. But the ancient dictum that "the feeding of animals is the most important part of agriculture" surely obtains now as much as it ever did, and that these kinds of artificial plant food are so easily obtainable and applicable to the crops in nowise invalidates the old practice of feeding animals for the manure made, which will never become obsolete.

We have learned very much of late as to that most interesting and generally useful class of organisms commonly called germs or microbes, and especially as regards that known as the nitrogen germ, existing in all fertile—indeed, in all—soils. For us to the latter it may be said, on the strength of the belief of the first scientists, that even the poorest kinds of soil contain enormous quantities, inert though they may be, of nitrogen and need only the inoculation of this invaluable germ to become available. Now this inoculation is performed by the application of manure to the land and the addition of lime, which rapidly becomes carbonated, and thus available for an incalculable increase in the number of these germs. And this, it is believed, is accomplished also through the aid of carbonaceous matters, resulting from their decomposition in the soil.

Of course there are very few sensible farmers who think that the product or manure is a secondary matter as compared with the use of fertilizers, unless in some special lines of culture in which the supply of manure is not available, because live stock is not kept on such farms. Generally we think the idea is to make and use all the manure possible, and then assist it with such and so much fertilizers as may be found to make a profit in the increased yields. The prevailing idea that it pays to procure all the straw possible, to save all and turn it into manure by feeding as much of it as possible with any of the purchased foods and use the remainder as litter, and thus apply as much as may be possible to the land, is in no way weakened because fertilizers are so easily procured, if only the money required is available. In fact, we must think still that the homemade manure should come first, and then the use of fertilizers of such kinds and in such quantities as the farmer will be sure can be used with profit.

Listing Corn.

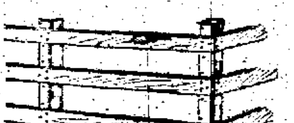
A Michigan farmer who gives preference to listing corn, writing to Farm, Field and Fireside, says:

Listing corn, in my opinion, is far superior to planting by the old way, either with hoe or planter, for many reasons. One advantage in listing corn is, it is unnecessary to first plow, then harrow the ground, as is the old custom. You can enter upon an oat or wheat stubble with a lister, and the whole work is completed by once going over the field.

Another advantage that listing corn has over "the old way" is, it is put so deep in the ground it is not so easily dried out or the dry weather does not affect it so readily. Again, in listing corn it is left in shallow trenches so that when the operation of cultivating goes on the fresh, moist soil is thrown toward and around the corn, greatly improving its growth.

Fence Stakes Easily at Hand.

It is often about impossible to secure fence stakes of proper size or strength, but boards of wood that do not readily decay in the ground may be at hand, and it is possible to make excellent fence stakes of these, as The Farm Journal tells, after a manner illustrated. For ordinary stakes put two strips together in L shape and set as shown in the cut. Make the corner posts of four strips, put together in box shape. Sharpen the two board stake if desired.


IMPROVISED FENCE STAKES.

News and Notes.

At the co-operative community of Ruskin, Tenn., the canning of fruit and vegetables is carried on in a beautiful, cool natural cave. Other caves are utilized for growing celery and mushrooms, according to Rural New Yorker.

It is reported that since the British occupation of Egypt the cotton crop of the Nile valley has doubled, and Egypt may again be a factor in the agriculture of the world.

The report of Canada's lumber trade for 1897 shows a total export of $20,000,000 of forest products.

The total consumption of flour in this country is said to be a barrel a year per capita. Seventy million barrels a year are therefore required.

A Farm and Fireside correspondent tells of an old remedy for keeping bugs off the cucumber vines. It consists of green cow manure, one quart stirred thoroughly into ten quarts of water which is then to be freely sprinkled over the vines.

American Securities Abroad.

The sales of American securities have been, according to London advices, very large abroad of late. If this state of things holds, there will be an increasing influx of British gold into this market. This demonstrates the faith abroad in the stability of our credit. There is another point of faith for which the people not only of this but foreign countries have good grounds for credence, and that is belief in the efficacy of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters for inorganic maladies which affect the stomach, liver, bowels, kidneys and nerves. Dyspepsia, biliousness, constipation and rheumatism are conquered by it. It hastens convalescence, and diffuses a generous warmth and sensation of physical comfort through the system.

Relief in Six Hours.

Distressing Kidney and Bladder diseases relieved in six hours by the "New Great South American Kidney Cure. This new remedy is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in the bladder, kidneys, back and every part of the urinary passages in male or female. It relieves retention of water and pain in passing it almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is your remedy. Sold by A. B. Armstrong, Druggist, Smethport, Pa.

Rheumatism Cured in a Day.

"Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism and Neuralgia radically cures in 1 to 3 days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits: 75 cents. Sold by A. B. Armstrong, Smethport.

Beauty Is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

To Cure Constipation Forever.

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

STARTERS OF RESTAURANTS

A Business Operation by Which Some Men Make Considerable Money.

"It may seem strange to say so," remarked a lawyer the other day, "but it is true, nevertheless, that there are men in the city who are getting rich by establishing restaurants that do not pay. This is the way they do it: A cheap shop is rented and fitted up as a restaurant at a cost, say, of $400. Food valued at about $100 is purchased and some judicious advertising is done. More food is sold for the money then than customers can get anywhere else in the neighborhood. The result is a crowded restaurant, though the proprietor is losing money steadily. When he has a first class line of patrons and he appears to be doing a big business, he advertises the place for sale. Ill health or a desire to move south, east or west is one of the causes. Customers appear promptly, and the proprietor usually sells his place for $1,200 or $1,500, half in cash. His investment has not been more than $500, so he clears from $800 to $1,000. Of course the place proves a failure, and the purchaser loses his money. The restaurant starter, however, moves to another portion of the city and repeats his enterprise."

The lawyer said that he recalled one man in particular who had started no less than ten restaurants in the last six months, all of which he sold. With two exceptions the places did not pay, and the men who bought them were compelled to close them.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

How It Happened.

"Look here, young man," said the druggist.

The clerk did not have to be told that he had made a mistake. He knew it long before. Indeed he had figured it out for himself and was able to tell just how it happened.

"You have charged only 75 cents for this prescription," asserted the druggist, "and the regular price is $1."

"I admit it," said the clerk. "The fact is I was rattled. You see, I made a hasty calculation as to the cost of the ingredients, and the result was 3 cents instead of 4 as it should have been. That is how it happened."—Chicago Post.

Welcome Words.

"Yes, his sermons are tiresomely long, but he always says something to the point."

"Well, what did he say to the point last Sunday?"

"'In conclusion.'"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The name California, derived from the two Spanish words caliente fornalli—i. e., "hot furnace"—was given by Cortes in the year 1535 to the peninsula now known as Lower California, of which he was the discoverer, on account of its hot climate.

High Flown.

Mrs. Minnie E. Leo says: "In a Paris cafe I asked the maid whether she did not think the name on the menu, 'demi tasse cafe au lait frappe a la glace,' was very inflated for such a small cup of cold coffee and milk. 'Yes, madame,' she replied, 'it occupies the mind as well as the stomach.'"

Unappreciative.

"Palette felt disappointed because you didn't attend his exhibition of paintings."

"I was detained."

"But he kept the gallery open very late."

"Yes, that's what detained me until a little later."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Tetricus, the barbarian, was the first man to wear trousers, the two part garment having been forced upon him by his captor, Aurelian, with the intention of making Tetricus appear ridiculous. The costume, however, seems, after several centuries of usage, to have made a hit.

A state lunch in China contains 146 dishes.

The well known poem, "Curfew Shall Not Ring To-night," in which a young woman by hanging to the curfew bell saves the life of her lover condemned to be executed at the ringing of the curfew, is only one of a thousand striking instances of how a woman will dare everything for love.

Women are readier to make heroic sacrifices than they are to take the commonplace, everyday precautions which insure their greatest happiness. Most women are careless about their health. They forget that physical weakness and disease will wreck the fairest chance in life and shut them out completely from happy womanhood and wifehood.

Weak, bilious, dyspeptic women are robbed of their natural attractiveness and capacity. They lose healthy color and energy and ambition. The blood becomes poor and thin and laden with disease-germs.

The true antidote for this condition is Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It acts directly upon the digestive powers and the liver, creating pure, red, healthy blood free from bilious impurities; it renovates every organ and tissue of the body, building up hard, elastic flesh and muscular strength and imparting nerve power and permanent vitality, which malt extracts do not give.

Mrs. Ella Howell, of Derby, Perry Co., Ind., writes: "In the year of 189[illegible] I was taken with stomach trouble—nervous dyspepsia. There was a coldness in my stomach, and a weight which seemed like a rock. Everything that I ate gave me great pain; I had a bearing down sensation; was swelled across my stomach; had a ridge around my right side, and in a short time I was bloated. I was treated by three of our best physicians but got no relief. I was so weak I could not walk across the room without assistance. Then Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery was recommended to me and I quit, and commenced the use of it. I began to improve very fast after the use of a few bottles. The physicians said my disease was leading into pulmonary consumption, and gave me up to die. I think God that my cure is permanent."

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STATEMENT

OF THE

Finances of McKean County

FOR THE

Fiscal Year ending January Second, 1898.

[illegible]

COUNTY FUND.

Dr.

To amount due last auditors' report	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
To amount transferred from [illegible]	[illegible]	
To amount transferred from [illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible] interest [illegible]	[illegible]	
To amount seated tax collected	[illegible]	
To amount State tax collected	[illegible]	[illegible]

Cr.

By orders paid and cancelled	[illegible]	
By County Institute Expenses	[illegible]	
By Bradford City Institute Expenses	[illegible]	
By Treasurer's commission on [illegible] at 1½ per cent.	[illegible]	
Balance due fund	[illegible]	[illegible]

DOG FUND.

Dr.

To amount due last auditors' report	[illegible]	
To amount dog tax collected	[illegible]	[illegible]

Cr.

By amount transferred to county fund	[illegible]	
By amount orders paid and cancelled	[illegible]	
By amount commission on [illegible] at 1½ per cent.	[illegible]	
By [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

BRIDGE BOND FUND.

Dr.

To balance due last auditors' report	[illegible]	

[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	

[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

[illegible] FUND.

Dr.

To balance due last auditors' report	[illegible]	
To [illegible] received	[illegible]	[illegible]

Cr.

By orders paid, [illegible]	[illegible]	
Balance due fund	[illegible]	[illegible]

POOR FUND.

Dr.

To amount due fund last auditors' report	[illegible]	
To amount transferred from poor bond fund	572 64	
To amount transferred from building fund	[illegible]	
To amount unseated tax and interest collected	[illegible]	
To amount seated tax collected 1897	[illegible]	
To amount building tax collected 1897	6 42	
To amount bond tax collected	3 63	
To amount charged Treasurer by Co. Com'rs	[illegible]	24474 21

Cr.

By orders paid and cancelled	[illegible]	
By commission on [illegible] at 1½ per cent.	[illegible]	
Balance due fund	4050 22	24474 21

POOR BOND FUND.

Dr.

To amount due fund last auditors' report	572 64	572 64

Cr.

By amount transferred to poor fund	572 64	572 64

POOR BUILDING FUND.

Dr.

To amount due from last auditors' report	5373 10	5373 10

Cr.

By amount transferred to poor fund	5373 10	5373 10

ANNIN TOWNSHIP.

	Road	Road Bond	Special Road	School & Building	School Bond	Alien Tax
Dr.						
To amount due 1896	[illegible]		21 63	[illegible]		
Unseated tax collected	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		5 21
	[illegible]	[illegible]	43 56	[illegible]		5 21
Cr.						
By orders paid	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		
Treasurer's com. 1½ per cent.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1 50		
Balance due fund	[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]		5 21

BRADFORD TOWNSHIP.

CERES TOWNSHIP.

CORYDON TOWNSHIP.

ELDRED TOWNSHIP.

FOSTER TOWNSHIP.

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP.

HAMLIN TOWNSHIP.

KEATING TOWNSHIP.

LAFAYETTE TOWNSHIP.

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP.

NORWICH TOWNSHIP.

OTTO TOWNSHIP.

SERGEANT TOWNSHIP.

WETMORE TOWNSHIP.

SMETHPORT BOROUGH.

[illegible]

Tax and license collected	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cr.			
Orders paid		[illegible]	
Treasurer's commission	[illegible]		
Balance due fund	[illegible]		[illegible]
	4 13	[illegible]	[illegible]

KANE BOROUGH.

Dr.			
To amount due 1896	2 94	1 40	[illegible]
Tax and license collected		[illegible]	
	2 94	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cr.			
Orders paid		[illegible]	
Treasurer's commission	16		
Balance due fund	2 78	1 40	8 46
	2 94	[illegible]	8 46

MT. JEWETT BOROUGH.

Dr.		
Tax and license collected	342 00	3 26
	342 00	3 26
Cr.		
Orders paid	342 00	
Balance due fund		3 26
	342 00	3 26

PORT ALLEGANY BOROUGH.

Dr.			
To amount due 1896	4 08	1 94	3 91
Tax and license collected		342 00	
	4 08	343 94	3 91
Cr.			
Orders paid		342 00	
Treasurer's commission	07		
Balance due fund	4 01	1 94	3 91
	4 08	343 94	3 91

J. F. DAVIS, Sheriff of McKean County, in account with the said county for the fiscal year ending January second, 1898.

Dr.

To received on account	$ 2376 24	
To fines collected	105 00	
To commonwealth costs collected	716 66	
To quarter sessions jury fees	160 01	
To common pleas jury fees	83 00	
To turnkey's wages	480 00	
Balance due sheriff Davis	522 80	4350 03

Cr.

By reports to State board of charities	20 00	
By publishing election proclamation	3 00	
By 3 per cent. on $105 00, fines collected	3 15	
By taking prisoners to penitentiary	[illegible]	
By drawing and summoning jurors and return of venires	[illegible]	
By paid T. M. Clark, Treasurer	1100 [illegible]	
By board of prisoners to Jan. 3d, 1898	2025 04	4350 03

E. R. SHERMAN, Coroner of McKean County, in account with the said county for the fiscal year ending January second, 1898.

Dr.

To orders drawn on account	$ 237 03	
Balance due coroner	64 24	251 27

Cr.

By balance due 1896	30 98	
By inquests, mileage and jury fees	220 29	251 27

W. A. YOUNG, T. F. HUNGIVILLE and LEMUEL DAVIS, Commissioners of McKean County, in account with the said county for the fiscal year year ending January second, 1898.

W. A. YOUNG.

Cr.

By 265 days at $3 50 per day	$ 927 50	927 50

Dr.

To orders drawn on account	890 00	
Balance due W. A. Young	37 50	927 50

T. F. HUNGIVILLE.

Cr.

By 276 days at $3 50 per day	966 00	966 00

Dr.

To orders drawn on account	910 00	
To balance due county last auditors' report	3 67	
Balance due T. F. Hungiville	52 33	966 01

LEMUEL DAVIS.

Cr.

By 265½ days at $3 50 per day	929 25	929 25

Dr.

To orders drawn on account	897 82	
Balance due Lemuel Davis	31 43	929 25

W. A. YOUNG, T. F. HUNGIVILLE and LEMUEL DAVIS, Directors of the McKean County Poor District, in account with the said Poor District for the fiscal year ending January second, 1898.

W. A. YOUNG.

Cr.

By 37 days' service at $3 50 per day	$ 129 50	129 50

Dr.

To orders drawn on account	100 00	
Balance due W. A. Young	29 50	129 50

T. F. HUNGIVILLE.

Cr.

By 32 days' service at $3 50 per day	112 00	
By balance due last auditors' report	59 08	171 08

Dr.

To amount of orders drawn	70 00	
Balance due T. F. Hungiville	101 08	171 08

LEMUEL DAVIS.

Cr.

By 22½ days' services at $3 50 per day	78 75	78 75

Dr.

To amount orders drawn on account	49 00	
Balance due Lemuel Davis	29 75	78 75

RECEIPTS OF McKEAN COUNTY.

To amount in Treasury Jan'y 4, 1897	$15861 95	
To amount received liquor licenses	8120 00	
To amount transferred from dog fund	1407 86	
To amount transferred from bridge fund	2307 54	
To amount fines collected	105 00	
To amount received of J. F. Davis, Sheriff	364 63	
To amount ½ of $352 88, alien tax	176 44	
To amount received from various sources by com'rs	5474 86	
To amount unseated tax collected	6519 14	
To amount seated tax collected	22021 11	
To amount State tax collected	6236 07	
To amount received from bridge bonds, less transferred to county	7695 20	
To amount bridge bond tax collected	64 73	86347 38

EXPENDITURES OF McKEAN COUNTY.

Paid W. A. Young, commissioner	890 00
Paid Lemuel Davis, commissioner	897 82
Paid T. F. Hungiville, commissioner	910 00
Paid Sheldon Jewett, ex-commissioner	140 33
Paid F. R. Foster, ex-commissioner	11 20
Paid S. D. Weaver, commissioners' clerk, and assistants	1073 75
Paid T. F. Richmond, commissioners' attorney	250 00
Paid prothonotary fees	543 10
Paid quarantine officers	148 33
Paid traveling expenses	135 86
Paid physician quarantine	129 50
Paid turnkey	480 00
Paid M. Ruddy, chief of police, reward	50 00
Paid miscellaneous items	44 30
Paid J. F. Davis, sheriff, on account	2301 83
Paid A. B. Walker, ex-sheriff	2983 26
Paid State taxes	7474 52
Paid county auditors	435 00
Paid jury commissioners and clerk	420 [illegible]
Paid S. G. Bush, janitor	600 00
Paid constables' returns	457 12
Paid justices' fees and discharged transcripts	676 47
Paid court stenographer	1104 91
Paid court crier and tipstaves	957 30
Paid commonwealth costs	6365 27
Paid taxes refunded	37 83
Paid bounties	109 75
Paid Pennsylvania Reform School	1395 51
Paid grand jurors	768 10
Paid traverse jurors	5152 91
Paid assessors for assessing	4253 00
Paid assessors for registering	2223 91
Paid election expenses	3292 63
Paid jail expenses, repairs and plumbing	593 20
Paid merchandise for jail	122 67
Paid jail physician	50 00
Paid drugs for jail	11 70
Paid Western Penitentiary	1800 58
Paid publishing and printing	615 77
Paid road views and damages	497 00
Paid freight, express, telegrams and postage	97 92
Paid insurance on court house and jail	320 00
Paid fuel and lights	877 00
Paid court house expense, repairs, etc.	161 [illegible]
Paid coroner's inquests	237 03
Paid indigent soldiers' burial expenses	225 00
Paid books and stationery	[illegible]
Paid bridge expenses	785 [illegible]
Paid water for jail	137 00
Paid superintendent of schools	221 [illegible]
Paid L. R. Mayo auditing prothonotary's account	15 00
Paid E. L. Keenan, auditors' attorney	5 00
Paid interest on bridge bond	[illegible]
Paid Treasurer's commission on $[illegible] at 1½ per cent.	185 76
Paid Treasurer's commission on $5[illegible] at 1½ per cent.	[illegible]
Paid balance due county fund	14471 06
Paid balance due bridge fund	2369 19

		86537 38
Less an outstanding order claimed to be lost	10 00	10 00
		86547 38

RECEIPTS OF POOR FUND.

To amount due fund last auditors' report	$ 6769 82	
To amount transferred from poor building fund	5373 10	
To amount transferred from poor building bond fund	572 64	
To amount unseated poor tax collected	2351 18	
To amount seated poor tax collected	6769 44	
To amount poor bond tax collected	3 63	
To amount poor building tax collected	6 42	
To amount received from various sources	2597 92	24474 21

EXPENDITURES OF POOR FUND.

By amount paid W. A. Young commissioner	10 00	
By amount paid Lemuel Davis, commissioner	49 00	
By amount paid T. F. Hungiville, commissioner	70 00	
By amount paid S. D. Weaver, commissioners' clerk	30 00	
By amount paid T. F. Richmond, commissioners' att'y	15 00	
By amount paid Sheldon Jewett, ex-commissioner	107 87	
By amount paid outside relief	3555 16	
By amount paid county auditors	11 03	
By amount paid State asylums	4101 06	
By amount paid care of feeble minded children	41 30	
By amount paid justices' fees, orders relief, etc.	168 56	
By amount paid extra expenses	69 11	
By amount paid salary Supt. Ryan	729 16	
By amount paid traveling expenses	437 40	
By amount paid taxes refunded	07	
By amount paid physicians, lunacy	40 00	
By amount paid provisions	1563 01	
By amount paid clothing	528 18	
By amount paid furniture	135 45	
By amount paid Dr. Burg Chadwick, poor house physician	450 00	
By amount paid medicine and supplies	547 63	
By amount paid publishing and printing	91 20	
By amount paid freight, express, telegrams and postage	97 41	
By amount paid insurance	166 00	
By amount paid fuel and lights	447 20	
By amount paid building and improvements	885 04	
By amount paid ordinary repairs	176 26	
By amount paid books and stationery	2 00	
By amount paid farm expenses	1709 14	
By amount paid salaries on farm	1484 01	
By amount paid tobacco	118 00	
By amount paid furnishings	473 70	
By amount paid blacksmithing	113 35	
By amount paid miscellaneous	5 75	
By amount paid A. I. Wilcox, on settlement of poor farm	479 24	
By amount paid Treasurer's commission on $14758 59 at 1½ per cent	265 75	
To amount balance in fund	4050 22	24474 21

COUNTY ASSETS.

Amount from seated tax collected	12572 82	
Amount due state fund from collectors	5279 69	
Amount due dog fund from collectors	1574 37	
Amount due county fund from unseated tax 1896	2352 09	
Amount due county fund from unseated tax 1897	2717 09	
Amount due Treasurer from dog to county fund	1103 38	
Amount due county fund, ⅓ State tax (estimated)	6155 78	
Amount due county funds in treasury	14621 06	45346 60

COUNTY LIABILITIES.

Commonwealth costs (estimated)	100 00	
Outstanding indebtedness, sundry items (estimated)	700 00	
State tax	6607 70	
Western Penitentiary	2465 54	
Penna. Industrial Reformatory	310 50	
Assets in excess of liabilities	24162 [illegible]	45346 60

POOR ASSETS.

Amount due poor fund from collectors (seated tax)	1919 57	
Amount due poor fund from unseated tax 1896	498 63	
Amount due poor fund from unseated tax 1897	960 29	
Amount due from Bradford city poor district	94 91	
Amount due poor fund from various sources (estimated)	300 00	
Amount due transferrable from poor bond fund	3 63	
Amount due transferrable from poor building fund	6 42	
Amount funds in treasury	4050 22	7778 07

POOR LIABILITIES.

Sundry unpaid bills (estimated)	70 00	
Assets in excess of liabilities	7078 07	7778 07

STATEMENT

Showing the cost of keeping each inmate per week at the poor house for the fiscal year ending January 2nd, 1898.

Total cost of keeping inmates	6511 63
Boarding inmates 2374 days or 325 3-7 weeks at $2 00 per week	6511 63

We, the undersigned Commissioners of McKean county and McKean County Poor District, do hereby certify that the foregoing statement of receipts and expenditures, and statement of assets and liabilities, are correct and true.

LEMUEL DAVIS,
T. F. HUNGIVILLE, } Commissioners.
W. A. YOUNG,

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TIME TABLE — WESTERN NEW YORK & PENNSYLVANIA

In effect April [illegible], 189[illegible].

Trains leave Smethport for Larrabee [illegible] Eldred, Olean, Bradford, Rochester and Buffalo as follows:

Buffalo Express, daily except Sunday [illegible]
*Buffalo Mail, daily except Sunday [illegible]
Local for Olean, daily except Sunday [illegible]
*Train leaving Smethport [illegible] connects at Olean with River Division for Allegany, Salamanca, Oil City and Pittsburg.

For Clermont, and points south.

*Clermont Local, daily ex Sunday [illegible]
Clermont Acc'tion daily ex Sunday [illegible]
Clermont Acc'tion daily ex Sunday [illegible]
*Clermont Local connects through to [illegible] Alberta.

For Larrabee, Port Allegany, Coudersport and points south:
Mail, daily ex Sunday [illegible] 11:30 a. m.
Mail, daily ex Sunday connecting for Emporium for Philadelphia [illegible] p. m.

Get Time Tables giving full information from
A. L. WORMAN, Ticket Agent,
[illegible], General Supt.
J. A. FELLOWS, Gen. Pass'r. Agt.
General offices Mooney Brisbane [illegible], Main and Clinton st, Buffalo N. Y.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION TIME TABLE, In effect Nov. 28, 1897.

TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION EASTWARD.

8:25 a. m.—Train 8, weekdays, for Sunbury, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Hazleton, Pottsville, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6:20 p. m., New York 9:30 p. m., Baltimore 6:00 p. m., Washington 7:15 p. m. Pullman Parlor car from Williamsport to Philadelphia, and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore and Washington.

3:20 p. m.—Train 6, weekdays, for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 4:30 a. m., New York 7:33 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7:30 a. m.

9:40 p. m.—Train 4, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations arriving at Philadelphia 6:52 a. m., New York 9:33 a. m., week days (10:38 a. m. Sundays). Baltimore 6:20 a. m., Washington 7:40 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia, and Williamsport to Washington and passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia, and Williamsport to Baltimore. Passengers in sleeper for Baltimore and Washington will be transferred into Washington sleeper at Williamsport.

WESTWARD.

6:10 a. m.—Train 3, weekdays, for Erie, Ridgway and DuBois, Clermont and intermediate stations.
10:0[illegible] a. m.—Train 9, daily for Erie and weekdays for DuBois and intermediate stations.
6:2[illegible] p. m.—Train 15, weekdays, for Kane and intermediate stations.

THROUGH TRAINS for EMPORIUM JUNCTION FROM THE EAST AND SOUTH.

Train 9 leaves New York 8:[illegible] p. m., Philadelphia 8:50 p. m.; Washington 7:[illegible] p. m., Baltimore 8:40 p. m., arriving at Emporium Junction, 5:10 a. m., weekdays, with Pullman sleepers and passenger coaches from Philadelphia to Erie and from Washington and Baltimore to Williamsport.

Train 3, leaves New York 7:[illegible] p. m., Philadelphia 11:20 p. m., Washington 10:[illegible] p. m., Baltimore 11:50 p. m., daily arriving at Emporium Junc. 10:20 a. m., with Pullman Palace sleeping cars from Philadelphia to Williamsport and passenger coaches from Philadelphia to Erie and Baltimore to Williamsport, on Sundays only, Pullman sleeper Philadelphia to Erie.

Train 15 leaves Philadelphia 8:[illegible] a. m., Washington 7:[illegible] a. m., Baltimore 8:50 a. m., Wilkesbarre 10:15 a. m., weekdays, arriving at Emporium Junction 5:[illegible] p. m. with Pullman Parlor car from Philadelphia to Williamsport and passenger coaches from Phila'a to Kane.

JOHNSONBURG RAILROAD.

Weekdays.

NORTH	STATIONS.	SOUTH.
A. M. Lv.		Ar. A. M.
8.55	Ridgway	[illegible]
9.10	Johnsonburg	[illegible]
9.2[illegible]	Bennigo	[illegible]
9.[illegible]	Glen Hazel	[illegible]
9.3[illegible]	Straight	[illegible]
9.4[illegible]	Instanter	[illegible]
9.4[illegible]	Smith's Run	[illegible]
9.53	Woodvale	[illegible]
10.00	Clermont	[illegible]
A. M.		A. M.

Connections are made with train 3, leaving Johnsonburg at 11:0[illegible] a. m. for Erie and intermediate points, arriving at Erie at 3:[illegible] p. m. and at Ridgway with train 6, leaving Ridgway at 2:20 p. m. for Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington.

J. B. HUTCHINSON, General Manager.
J. R. WOOD, Gen'l Passenger Ag't.

Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway

THE SHORT LINE

On and after Feb. 20, 1898, passenger trains between Buffalo, Rochester, Salamanca, Bradford, Ridgway, DuBois, Punxsutawney and the Coal and Lumber Regions of Pennsylvania will leave Bradford and Mt. Jewett daily except Sunday, as follows:

LEAVE BRADFORD—EAST-BOUND.

8:10 a. m.—Buffalo & Rochester Express—For Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Colden, Buffalo, Machias, Gainesville, Silver Springs, Warsaw, LeRoy and Rochester.
2:10 p. m.—Mail—For Salamanca, Ellicottville, Machias, Gainesville, Silver Springs, Warsaw, LeRoy, and Rochester.
4:25 p. m.—Buffalo Express—Daily. For Limestone, Carrollton, Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Colden and Buffalo.

LEAVE MT. JEWETT—SOUTH-BOUND.

7:57 a. m.—Accommodation—For Johnsonburg, Ridgway, Brockwayville, DuBois and Punxsutawney.
1:41 p. m.—Mail—For Johnsonburg, Ridgway, Brockwayville, DuBois and Punxsutawney.

Thousand Mile Tickets, good for passage between all stations, at two cents per mile.

For time tables and full information call on or address any of the Company's agents, or

L. B. McINTYRE, Agent, Bradford, Pa.
EDWARD C. LAPEY, Gen'l Passenger Agent, Rochester, N. Y.

BUFFALO & SUSQUEHANNA R. R. TIME TABLE.

Took effect Monday, June 15th, 1896.

1	3	5	STATIONS.	2	4	6
a.m.	p.m.	p.m. Ar.	Dp.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
8:35	2:20	7:32	Keating	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
8:25	2:02	7:16	Cowley Junc.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
8:25	1:50	7:06	Austin	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	1:37	6:56	Costello	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	1:26	6:48	Wharton	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	1:17	6:39	Logue	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	1:07	6:27	Hull	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	12:45	6:06	Cross Fork Jc	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	12:07	5:31	Germania	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	12:00	5:25	Galeton	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	10:45	4:20	Gaines	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	10:10	3:50	Ansonia	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	a. m.	p.m. Dp.	Ar.	p.m.	p.m.	

a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	Cross Fork Br.	[illegible]
7:00	12:45	[illegible]	ar Cr F'k Jc dp	[illegible]
6:20	11:55	3:09	dp Cross F'k ar	[illegible]

H. Hotchkinson, Train Master.
C. W. Goodyear, Gen'l Manager.

COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY Railroad Time Table, takes effect Monday Nov 4, 1895.

AR. EASTW'D.			STATIONS.	LV. WESTW'D		
A.M.	A.M.	P.M.		A.M.	P.M.	A.M.
8.50	7.30	2.10	Ulysses	7.42	2.30	[illegible]
8.35	7.21	2.00	Crowell's	7.51	2.40	[illegible]
8.30		1.56	Carpenter's		2.4[illegible]	[illegible]
8.25	7.16	1.53	Perkins	7.51	2.45	[illegible]
8.20	7.13	1.50	B. & S. Ju'c'n	7.57	2.50	[illegible]
	7.10	1.45	Newfield	8.00	2.54	[illegible]
8.04	7.06	1.42	Gold	8.04	2.59	[illegible]
7.55	7.01	1.30	Raymond's	8.07	[illegible]	[illegible]
7.15	6.50	1.24	Seven Bridg's	8.19	[illegible]	[illegible]
7.10	6.46	1.20	Colesburg	8.21	3.15	[illegible]
7.00	6.30	1.14	Frink's	8.35	3.22	[illegible]
	6.30	1.00		8.4[illegible]	3.35	11.35
4.[illegible]	7.37	12.55	Coudersport	8.4[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
3.49		12.51	Hammond			[illegible]
3.23	7.52	12.46	Olmsted	8.51	[illegible]	[illegible]
3.34	7.06	12.41	Mina	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
3.25		12.34	Knowlton	[illegible]	[illegible]	
3.21	7.50	12.29	Roulette	9.06	[illegible]	[illegible]
3.12	7.31	12.22	Burtville	9.13	[illegible]	[illegible]
3.05		12.17	Coleman	[illegible]	[illegible]	
3.15	7.20	12.12	Port Allegany	9.[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	Dep't. Arrive	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.

Trains run on eastern standard time.

B. A. McCLURE, Sup't.

ST. MARYS & SOUTHWESTERN R. R.

To take effect at 5 o'clock a.m., Monday, August 9, 1897.

South		Stations	North	
2:20		Clermont	1:45	
2:24		Chatham	1:[illegible]	
2:30		Wildwood	1:14	
3:0[illegible]		North Fork	[illegible]	
3:11		Kay Fork	12:54	
3:14		Gray Gables	12:[illegible]	
3:30	7:40 Ar Lv	St. Marys Lv Ar	11:5[illegible]	[illegible]
3:33	7:45	Kaul	10:5[illegible]	[illegible]
3:42	7:51	Dreisch	10:[illegible]	[illegible]
3:48	7:55	Groll	10:41	[illegible]
3:56	8:05	Gillen	10:29	[illegible]
4:00	8:10	Daise	10:25	[illegible]
4:0[illegible]	8:15	Centreville	10:2[illegible]	[illegible]
4:14	8:23	Dagus Crossing	10:1[illegible]	[illegible]
4:24	8:30	Shelvey Summit	10:0[illegible]	[illegible]
4:30	8:36	Cuneo	9:5[illegible]	[illegible]
4:35	8:40	Thompson	9:54	[illegible]
4:39	8:43	Curry	9:4[illegible]	[illegible]
4:41	8:45	Brandy Camp	9:45	[illegible]
4:46	8:51	Elbon	9:41	[illegible]
4:50	8:55	Hyde	9:34	[illegible]
5:10	9:10	Shawmut	9:15	[illegible]
p.m.	a.m.		a.m.	[illegible]

Bradford, Bordell and Kinzua Ry.

Time Table taking Effect Nov. 28th, 1897.

LEAVE SMETHPORT.

8:20 A. M.—Mail and Express, daily except Sunday, for Ormsby Junction, Simpson, Bradford, Mt. Jewett and Kane connecting with P. & W. Ry. for Foxburg, Butler and Pittsburg.

10:00 A. M.—Daily except Sunday for Ormsby Junction, Simpson, Bradford, Mt. Jewett and Kane.

5:06 P. M.—Mail and Express, daily except Sunday, for Ormsby Junction, Simpson, Bradford, Mt. Jewett and Kane connecting at Kane with P. & E. train 4 for Wilcox, Johnsonburg, Ridgway, Emporium, Harrisburg, Baltimore, Washington and Philadelphia—and at Bradford with Erie R. R. train [illegible] for Salamanca, Olean, Hornellsville, Elmira and New York.

Trains arrive at Smethport, daily except Sunday, at 9:30 a. m., 4:30 p. m. and [illegible] p. m.

JNO. C. McKENNA,
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Bradford, Pa.

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